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WEATHER FORECAST  
FAIR  
Barometer 30.92

December 29, 1913, Temperature a.m. 56, p.m. 65  
Humidity " 70, " 57

December 27, 1912, Temperature a.m. 66, p.m. 59  
Humidity " 70, " 88

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## TELEGRAMS.

### THE JAPANESE FAMINE. TERRIBLE DISTRESS.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received December 29.  
Reuter's correspondent at Tokyo states that the famine reported on the 23rd inst. is the worst since 1889.  
The crops are not a thousandth part of their normal yield, and the fisheries have also failed.  
Parents are selling their daughters, who are arriving in batches at Tokyo for shipment abroad or for entrance into the Yoshiwara.  
The Government is devoting \$800,000 sterling for relief.

### THE LEEDS STRIKE.

#### HOPE AND DESPAIR.

London, Received December 27.  
The Leeds Corporation declare that the strike is practically at an end. Hundreds of gasworkers and scavengers have returned to their duties.

London, Received December 28.  
At a meeting of the Leeds strikers at midnight it was resolved to continue the struggle. It was declared that the gas workers who had signed on had now changed their minds.  
London, Received December 29.  
Leeds was again in partial darkness last night owing to the shortness of the gas supply and its poor quality.

### FRENCH POLITICS.

#### A NEW MOVEMENT.

London, Received December 27.  
Reuter's Paris correspondent states that at the invitation of MM. Briand and Millerand and others, 105 Republican Senators and Deputies met on Friday evening and decided to form a Federation, coalescing with the Moderate Republicans, with the object of carrying out an active propaganda on behalf of national defence and social reform.

M. Briand, in the course of a speech, announced his intention of instituting a campaign in the country.

### SENTRY FIRED AT.

London, Received December 28.  
Reuter's correspondent at Strassburg says a civilian fired two shots at a sentry at the Castle Barracks and escaped.

London, Received December 29.  
Reuter's correspondent at Strassburg states that the affair was the result of a juvenile prank.

### ALABANIA.

#### DECISION OF THE POWERS.

London, Received December 29.  
Reuter's correspondent at Rome reports that the Triple Alliance have accepted Sir Edward Grey's proposal to postpone the Greek evacuation of the territories allotted to Albania till January 14.

### BOXING.

#### ANOTHER FRENCH SUCCESS.

London, Received December 29.  
The Frenchman Ledoux defeated the Welshman Billy Beynon, the latter giving up in the seventh round, in a contest for the Bantam-weight Championship of Europe at Cardiff.

## TELEGRAMS.

### MONTREAL'S FLIGHT. A WATER FAMINE.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received December 27.  
Reuter's Montreal correspondent states that a water famine in the city, owing to an accident to the Municipal plant, is expected to last a week. The hospitals are buying tons of aerated water, and the poor are using melted snow. Bread has been imported from other cities.

**Hospital Suffering.**  
London, Received December 29.  
Reuter's correspondent at Montreal states that there is much suffering in the hospitals owing to the water famine, which compels the shutting down of the heating appliances. Surgical operations have also had to be postponed.

Hundreds of people are idle owing to the closing of factories and there is great anxiety regarding the danger of fire.

### BISLEY.

#### NEW PLANS RESENTED.

London, Received December 27.  
The newspapers state that the War Office proposals to modify the Bisley programme in accordance with Service regulations is causing dissatisfaction.

The War Office may organise a Territorial meeting in opposition to Bisley if their proposals are not accepted.

### WINTRY WEATHER.

#### SNOWSTORMS AT HOME.

London, Received December 28.  
There have been snowstorms in Scotland, Wales, and the Midlands, and the weather has been very tempestuous on the coasts. Nevertheless, the East Coast herring fleet have made record catches, and people in the fishing towns are working day and night.

### RARE STAMPS.

#### SOLD FOR £20,000.

London, Received December 28.  
The British stamps in the collection of the late Earl of Crawford have been sold to an Englishman (a Mr. Sparrow) for £20,000.

### TENNIS CHALLENGE.

London, Received December 27.  
Mr. Jay Gould has challenged the tennis champion, Mr. G. F. Covey, and the match is arranged to take place in Philadelphia in March.

### LONG BANK HOLIDAY.

London, Received December 28.  
It is declared in Mexico City that the Bank Holiday decreed by President Huerta will be extended to 80 days.

### M. VEDRINES' FLIGHT.

London, Received December 28.  
Reuter's correspondent at Jerusalem says M. Vedrine, who is attempting a flight to Cairo, has arrived at Jaffa.

### INDIAN TRAIN OUTRAGE.

London, Received December 28.  
Reuter's Delhi correspondent says the search for the train robbers has been abandoned, and the troops have been withdrawn.

### SPRINTING RECORD.

London, Received December 29.  
At Cardiff the Australian sprinter Donaldson broke Hutcheson's record for the furlong by half a yard, in 21 1/2 seconds.

## TELEGRAMS.

### THE TEST MATCH. ENGLAND GOING STRONG.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received December 28.  
Reuter's Johannesburg correspondent states that the Test Match was resumed in very fine weather.

England had knocked up the big total of 317 for 2 (Relf 63, Rhodes not out 143, Mead not out 73) when the day's play ceased.

### FRENCH FINANCE.

#### MORE MONEY WANTED.

London, Received December 28.  
Reuter's Paris correspondent says the Minister of War has informed the Finance Committee that owing to delay in the financial arrangements, the money voted for the building of barracks to accommodate the extra levies under the Three Years' Service Act had been already exhausted, and he has asked the Committee to authorise him to proceed with the construction and to allow other expenses connected with the Three Years' Service Act without waiting for the voting of further credits.

**Government Policy Attacked.**  
London, Received December 29.  
Reuter's Paris correspondent states that in the Senate, M. Ribot vehemently attacked the Government financial policy. He declared that the loan could not be delayed indefinitely, and reproached M. Caillaux for acting rather as a party leader than as a financier.

M. Caillaux, replying, explained the financial situation. He stated that there was a deficit of 794 million francs, while the Budget for 1915 would show a deficit of 450 millions, not including the Moroccan expenditure. Extraordinary military expenditure would exceed the estimate. The first estimate of 420 millions for the renewal of armaments had increased to 920 millions, and a new burden of 500 millions must be faced, of which the Income Tax would supply 100 millions francs, while for the remainder the favoured classes would have to make sacrifices.

### OBITUARY.

#### GENERAL GRODEKOFF.

London, Received December 28.  
The death is announced of General Grodekoff, formerly Governor of the Amur region and Commander of the Russian troops in the Far East. He was the hero of the famous ride to Herat in 1878.

**Admiral Douglas.**  
London, Received December 28.  
The death is announced of Admiral Sholto Douglas.

[The deceased entered the Royal Navy in 1847, served in China, then in the Baltic (Russian War) and returned to China where he served from 1857 to 1858. He also served in the West Coast of Africa 1860-64; slave trade blockade, and captured and liberated over 2,000 slaves.]

### FRANCE AND JAPAN.

London, Received December 29.  
The French Chamber has adopted the Bill authorising the construction of a new Embassy at Tokyo.

### PRAYERS FOR IRELAND.

London, Received December 29.  
The prayers sanctioned by the Bishop of London for the preservation of peace in Ireland were used in many London churches yesterday.

## TELEGRAMS.

### INDIAN CONGRESS. A WORTHY APPEAL.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received December 28.  
The Indian Congress at Karachi has passed a resolution protesting against the treatment of Indians in South Africa.

Speakers vehemently claimed citizenship of the Empire. They had a strong belief in the political future of India with the harmonious working of the various communities.

The proposer of the resolution said that the Moghul Emperors saw a vision of a United India. They ought to realise this under the aegis of British rule. He appealed for the misunderstandings of the past to be forgotten.

The Congress also passed a resolution affirming that the India Council should be composed partly of nominated and partly of elected members—a total of nine, the elected members not to exceed one-third the total; also that the salary of the Secretary of State should be placed on the English estimates.

### INDIAN VICEROYALTY.

#### UNFOUNDED RUMOURS.

London, Received December 28.  
The Times says that rumours have been revived during the last few days that Lord Kitchener will shortly replace Lord Hardinge in the Viceroyalty of India, but the Cairo correspondent of the Times has "the best authority" for stating that the rumours are absolutely unfounded.

### THE CHRISTMAS DISASTER.

#### A STARTLING SEQUEL.

London, Received December 29.  
Reuter's correspondent at Calumet, U.S.A., states that Mr. Moyer, President of the Western Federation of Miners, who asserted that the opponents of the strike were responsible for the Christmas tree disaster, whereby 80 people, mostly women and children, lost their lives, has been deported from Michigan for ordering the miners' families not to accept the funds raised by the Citizens' Relief Committee.

Reuter's correspondent at Milwaukee says that Mr. Moyer when passing en route to Chicago declared that a score of men attacked him at Calumet, beat him on the head with a revolver, which went off wounding him in the neck, dragged him through the streets, and put him on board a train.

Reuter's correspondent at Chicago states that Mr. Moyer has been admitted to hospital suffering from a bullet wound in the shoulder.

### LORD BURNHAM.

#### CELEBRATES 80th BIRTHDAY.

London, Received December 29.  
All illuminated address bearing 253 signatures, representative of the Press of Great Britain and the Empire, was presented to Lord Burnham, principal proprietor of the Daily Telegraph, on the occasion of his eightieth birthday, at his residence, Hall Barn.

Lord Northcliffe, proprietor of the Daily Mail, read the Address.

### FRENCH ARMY PAY.

London, Received December 29.  
Reuter's Paris correspondent states that the Senate has unanimously agreed to the Bill increasing the pay of officers and non-commissioned officers in the Army.

## TELEGRAMS.

### THE RUSSIAN PROPOSAL. A DISSENTIENT NOTE.

[Ostasiatischer Lloyd Service.]

Berlin, Received December 24.  
The Novos Vremya, discussing the proposed withdrawal of Russian troops, declares that it is necessary for them to remain for the protection of the Legation in Peking and the railway.

**Germany's Resolve.**  
Berlin, Received December 25.  
The German Government has complied with China's wishes regarding the withdrawal of foreign troops from Chihli. It is expected that the other governments concerned will give the proposal favourable consideration.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

### ST. PETERSBURG AFFAIRS.

Berlin, Received December 24.  
The rumours regarding the resignation of M. Kokotzeff, the Russian Premier, are thought to be unfounded. The resignation of M. Delcasse, the French Ambassador to St. Petersburg, is not confirmed.

Regarding the German Military Mission to Turkey, M. Sassehoff the Russian Minister for Foreign Affairs, has requested M. Delcasse, the French collaboration with Russia before his departure for Paris.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

### THE INDIAN OUTRAGE.

Berlin, Received December 24.  
The outrage on the Indian mail train between Calcutta and Peshawar is a sign of the growing lawlessness of the Pathan frontier tribes.

The band of robbers, one hundred strong, killed three officials and were then driven off by armed passengers. The object of the attack was cash, but it was frustrated because the money was received too late to be sent on by the train.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

### SALT ADMINISTRATION.

Peking, Received December 28.  
A Presidential edict has been published re the Salt Gabelle and the sale of salt.

The country is to be divided into two large salt districts from which a revenue of \$250 per 100 catties is expected. The Northern district will start on 1st January next and the Southern district in 1915.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

### MONGOLIAN MISSION.

Berlin, Received December 25.  
The Mongolian envoys to St. Petersburg have started for home. Russia has promised to assist Mongolia with a loan of three million roubles, but has declined to supply Mongolia with arms.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

### HONOURED BY AUSTRIA.

Berlin, Received December 25.  
Dr. von Jagow, the German Minister of Foreign Affairs, has received the Grand Cross of the Prussian Crown. Herr Zimmermann, the Under Secretary of State at the Foreign Office, has received the Star of the Red Eagle with oak wreath and swords.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

### GERMAN NAVAL MOVEMENTS.

Berlin, Received December 28.  
One fourth of the German high sea fleet is on the North Sea station, together with the first squadron and cruisers. The second and third squadrons are on the Baltic.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

## TELEGRAMS.

### BRITAIN AND GERMANY. EXCHANGE OF VIEWS.

[Ostasiatischer Lloyd Service.]

Berlin, Received December 28.  
The news circulating in the press of impending fresh Anglo-German negotiations regarding the colonies is incorrect.

There has been however an exchange of diplomatic views regarding Asia and Africa, which has resulted in draft proposals, the conclusion of which is indispensable.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

### ABYSSINIA.

#### ENGLISH HOPES.

Berlin, Received December 24.  
The announcement of King Menelik's death is now thought to be authentic.

England expresses the hope that, under the policy of King Menelik's successor, Abyssinia will be able to secure peaceful development on independent lines which is indispensable to the British position on the Nile.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

### CHINESE RAILWAYS.

#### AN IMPORTANT LINE.

Berlin, Received December 24.  
The Frankfurt Gazette points out the utility of the projected railway line from Kaimi to Itohaufu, Tsingtau and Shansi. Such a line will be of vital importance to Tsingtau, the development of which is in the interests of China.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

### ARMENIA.

#### PENDING REFORMS.

Berlin, Received December 28.  
The German and Russian Ambassadors in Constantinople have conferred with the Grand Vizier regarding Armenian reforms, with favourable results.

The Grand Vizier will now elaborate reform plans in conformance with German and Russian wishes.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

### P. E. FRIEDRICH.

#### IN COLLISION AT GENOA.

Berlin, Received December 28.  
The N.D.L. s.s. Prinz Eitel Friedrich (on her homeward passage from Hongkong) collided at Genoa with the sailing ship Andreino. The latter was sunk but her crew were saved. The Prinz Eitel Friedrich proceeded on her voyage to Bremen.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

### NEW N.D.L. STEAMERS.

Berlin, Received December 25.  
The Norddeutscher Lloyd has ordered three freight steamers, each of twelve thousand tons, for their Far Eastern service.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

### SUBMARINE INSPECTION.

Berlin, Received December 24.  
An order emanating direct from Admiral Tirpitz institutes an independent inspection for submarines at Kiel.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

### A PRINCE'S RESIDENCE.

Berlin, Received December 24.  
The Princely couple of Wied, whose castle was recently partially destroyed by fire, take up residence at Darazza next month.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

### MEXICAN BANK CLOSES.

Berlin, Received December 24.  
The Banco de Londres in Mexico has closed its doors and looks for assistance.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

## NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

### TELEGRAMS. CONDENSED.

In the Test match England has scored 317 for 2 wickets.

The famine in Japan is the worst experienced since 1869.

The Leeds strikers held a meeting at which it was resolved to continue the struggle.

The French Government's financial policy has been severely attacked in the Senate.

Prayers for the preservation of peace in Ireland were used in many London churches yesterday.

When the Croatian Diet opened, a dispute as to the date of the next meeting caused the wildest scenes.

Snowstorms are being experienced in Scotland, Wales and the Midlands and tempestuous weather on the coasts.

The collection of British stamps belonging to the late Earl Crawford has been sold to Mr. W. S. Sparrow for the sum of £20,000.

A Montreal telegram says that a water famine, which was caused by an accident to the Municipal plant, is expected to last for a week.

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### NEWS.

The booking for to-night's band concert is good, and a fine programme is promised.

The first part of a review of the year's happenings appears to-day in the form of an extra.

The points of the griffins and other ponies, for the coming races, are discussed in this issue.

General news appears on page 3 to-day and Log book on page 6.

### DON'T FORGET.

#### TO-DAY.

Victoria Theatre, 9.15 p.m.  
Bijou Scenic Theatre, 9.15 p.m.

#### TO-MORROW.

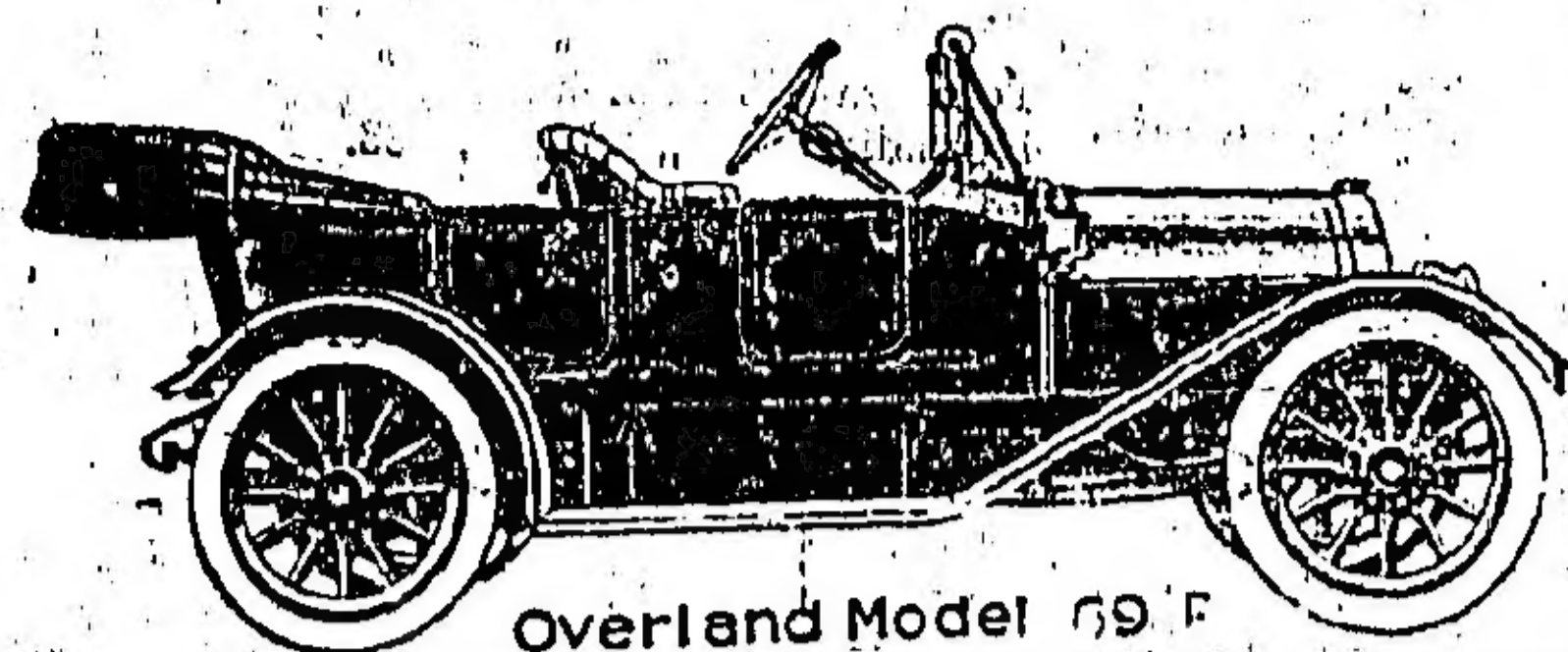
Victoria Theatre 9.15 p.m.  
Bijou Theatre 9.15 p.m.  
Wednesday December 31.  
Kowloon Dock Hall—9 p.m.  
Friday, January 2.  
Taikoo Club Hall—8.45 p.m.  
Monday January 5.  
Peak School Opens.  
Tuesday, January 6.  
G. Fenwick and Co. Ltd., in liquidation—General meeting of shareholders, No. 5, Queen's Road Central—noon.

Friday January 9.  
Volunteers go into Camp.  
Friday January 10.  
Engineers Ball, City Hall—9 p.m.

Saturday January 11.  
Entries close for Hongkong Races.  
Monday January 20.  
Chinese New Year.

## Notices

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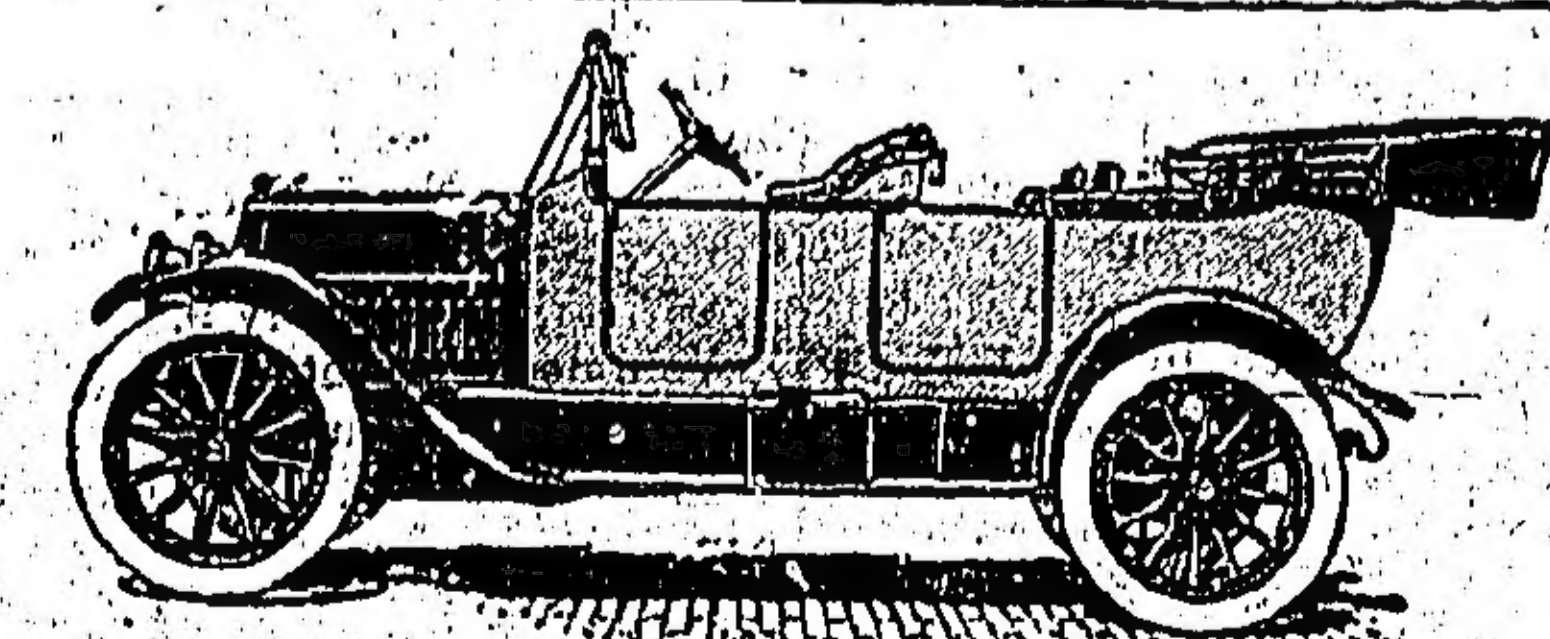
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## CONTEMPORARIES

South China Morning Post

British Trade in China.  
More might be done by the  
authorities at home to remind  
firms in the United Kingdom of the  
existence of British Chambers of  
Commerce abroad and there would  
soon be less talk of the decadence  
of British trade in foreign fields.  
There are many points upon  
which Chambers of Commerce  
could protect the exporter ignor-  
ant of the difficulties that have  
to be faced in different locali-  
ties. There are jealousies  
and prejudices which interfere,  
risks to be undertaken when  
competition is keen and a hun-  
dred and one other drawbacks to  
trade in China which the already  
prosperous British manufacturer,  
content with his share of the  
plums, does not care to tackle  
without the certainty that the  
business is secure, honourable and  
profitable. Mr. Bennett we think  
takes a rather gloomy view of  
British trade in China but no  
doubt much could be done that  
is not done to keep it ahead of  
the foreign trade invasion.

Daily Press.

The Administrative Conference.  
The Administrative Conference  
has now been inaugurated at  
Peking, and the President has  
been advised in a joint memorial  
from all the Tutehs to send all  
the members of Parliament still  
remaining in Peking back to  
their constituencies, at the public  
expense, to await the reconvo-  
cation of Parliament. How long  
they may have to wait for this  
cannot at the moment be predict-  
ed. The present indications are  
that before Parliament is again  
convened the Constitution will  
have been revised, making pro-  
vision for a new legislative body  
very much smaller than the one  
which has recently been virtually  
suppressed by the President's  
Mandate cancelling the seats  
of over three hundred mem-  
bers on the ground that  
they belonged to a seditious  
organisation. The memorial of  
the Tutehs deals mainly with the  
necessity for a smaller legislative  
body. They urge that with eight  
hundred legislators there is cer-  
tain to be "more talk than work."  
They describe the Parliament as  
too unwieldy. "During the seven  
months Parliament was sitting, it  
squandered several million dollars,  
but did no legislative work—it  
did not even attempt such piece-  
meal legislation as characterised  
the sessions of the former Nation-  
al Council." The Parliament  
has been "a curse to all."

China Mail.

## China's Secret Societies.

It is also pointed out that  
often distorted knowledge is  
disseminated amongst the mem-  
bers of certain Societies and that  
what is held by the members as  
truths, are not infrequently  
decidedly dubious statements.  
In this way much harm is done.  
Men's minds are inflamed by  
the contemplation of what they  
regard as wrongs, whereas really  
there is more of right than of  
wrong in the question they are  
denouncing, and against which  
they wish to fight. Probably  
behind it all there is the deter-  
mination on the part of the  
President to discourage and  
perhaps to stamp out  
the many political So-  
cieties which have grown up and  
are flourishing, apparently being  
of opinion that only harm and  
unrest can follow the speeches  
and writings of those who are  
agitating for ideals inconsistent  
with his present policy. It now  
remains to be seen what President  
Yuan will be able to accomplish.  
He certainly has managed to carry  
affairs through up to the present,  
and there is no doubt that if he  
can discredit and dissipate certain  
secret Societies in China that  
things will be easier for himself,  
and, on the whole, better for the  
people.

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## GENERAL NEWS.

## One Husband of Three Sisters.

An interesting legal consideration in regard to children, arising under the Deceased Wife's Sister's Marriage Act of 1907 was heard at Manchester in the Pallatine Court of Chancery (Wallers v. Sharples). Three sisters were married in succession by one man. By the second sister there were children. Under the will of their aunt the sisters were entitled to income from certain shares, the income in the event of their death going to the children. The question arose whether the children of the second sister could inherit. The Vice-Chancellor held that although children by a deceased wife's sister were rendered legitimate by the Act of 1907 the second section of the Act provided that their legitimation should not exclude next of kin from property and therefore settled the case against the children in question.

## Standard Pigs.

An organised effort is to be made to increase the "pig population," which has fallen to almost as low a pitch in England as can be remembered. A scheme is being drawn up for the Board of Agriculture by which it is hoped to restore the pig once more to the exalted position of "the gentleman that pays the rent." It is hoped to set up bacon factories in a great many districts, somewhat on the model of the Hitchin factory, established largely through the generosity and initiative of Lord Lucas. The practical farmers who are outlining a scheme to make these factories possible will recommend the production of what may be called a "standard porker." If a "good level pig" can be produced to type by farmers, the factory ought to pay well and the farmer get both good and quick returns. There is no doubt that the establishment of local factories—bacon factories, cheese factories, sugar factories, and what not—would be one of the greatest boons to British agriculture.

## Fortune at 20.

Chapter one of the romance of Frank Wootton, the famous jockey, ends with his retirement from the saddle owing to excessive weight. It is romance when a jockey still in his teens can quit with a substantial fortune. Wootton was a born jockey. Horses absorbed his thoughts and energies almost from infancy. He could ride like a trooper when other "kids" of his age were struggling to spell out. Before he was ten he had ridden a winner. This was in South Africa, where boys are not licensed as jockeys until they reach fourteen. So Frank rose as a "gentleman rider," and as such was on seventeen winners before Wootton was brought into England. Here he had seen conquered, and waxed rich. Recently he has also waxed fat, which, though natural in one of his physique, is bad for a jockey, and it is increasing weight which drives him from the profession at an age when most jockeys can look forward to years of profitable work. John Osborne rode brilliantly after he was fifty. Wootton will be twenty in December. In eight years Wootton rode 882 winners, beginning with 16 and ending with 91. His largest total was 187 in 1911. He topped the jockey table four years in succession and twice had the best average, Maher claiming it on the other two occasions. Now, as a faineant, his positions are reversed, Maher having the larger total and Wootton the higher average. Swynford in the St. Leger and Perola in the Oaks are Wootton's only classic winners—his record is strangely deficient in this respect. But he will die convinced that Shogun would have won the last Derby easily but for being "messed" out of it. This was the one great disappointment of his career and the demands of nature on a big frame make a tonement for it impossible. For winning the Grand Prix de Paris on M. Foult's Houl in 1912 Wootton got £2,000 and £100 for expenses. This was the largest sum he ever received in connection with one race. Those who know Frank think it is good odds on his remaining here as a trainer, and carrying on the Treadwell House stable, with Mr. Hulton still as its leading patron.

## GOLF COURSES.

## Interesting Comparisons Between American and British Links

Some of the golfing comments of Vardon and Ray, as they sailed for England may strike American readers as a bit ungracious, says the *New York Evening Post*. It is true that the two professionals had pleasant things to say of their stay here. They had only thanks for the hospitality shown them, and spoke in praise of our golfers, particularly of Evans and Ouimet. But when their expert opinion on certain points was squarely asked by the interviewers, both Vardon and Ray took for their motto, *vera pro gratis*. They did not think that American amateurs could hold their own with the English. They believed that the United States, in spite of its wonderful advances in golfing matters, is still a country backward in this sport as compared with England and Scotland. And they were of one mind in declaring that the great majority of American golf courses are far too easy. By this they meant, of course, that the hazards and the nature of the greens here do not sufficiently call for the highest golfing skill.

A fine American retort to this might be made, but it would only betray ignorance. Vardon and Ray might be asked why, if our links are so kindergarten, they did not make lower scores on them. If it is so dead easy to negotiate our courses, why did they let Evans beat them both at Chicago, and Ouimet lead them by five and seven strokes at Brookline? Moreover, Vardon and Ray made, on the average, as low scores over our confessedly more difficult links as they did when playing those they describe as childishly easy. How could that be? One can imagine the sneer with which newspaper paragraphers will put the question.

The point is worth examining. There has been, during the past year or two, a great stiffening up of American golf courses. This is, of itself, a tacit admission that they have been too easy, judged by the scientific rigors of the game. Yet a great many people have been but dimly aware of the real difference between an easy link—a real "gentleman's course"—and one trapped on correct principles. Such players have known that they could not do as well at, say, the National Links, or Piping Rock, as over their own familiar and facile grounds, but they often express wonder why the crack golfers who can make a low score even over Myopia are not able to do very much better over a notoriously easy links. They may cut their cards by two or three strokes, but that is all; and it is thought to be mysterious.

The fact is, obviously, that this is to lose sight of the true basis of comparison between hard and easy golf courses. A certain number of strokes are normally required to get over the easiest links ever known. That is, if there are 18 holes, and not more than three of them single-shot holes, it will be impossible for even the most skilful players to do, as a rule, much better than "even four." This simply means that merely to cover the actual distance, and without regard to unusually lucky approaches or long putts, the ball has to be hit an average of four strokes to each hole. Top-notch players often go lower than that, and do so the more readily on links presenting few difficulties; but even on these they cannot, in the nature of the case, go far much below their score on a hard course as the inconsiderate poor player thinks they should. What he is thinking of is his score, and the great difference between his best on an easy links and on a course where the handiwork of nature has been reinforced by the malignity of man. If the latter means ten or twelve strokes more for him, why should not the easy links mean ten or twelve less for the professional?

We have already explained why not. It is the duffer who furnishes the real test of comparison between easy and hard golf courses. Diabolically placed traps and tricky curves in the greens rarely exist for the professional; he plays as if they were not there. That is the reason why he cannot make a much lower score on links

where the hazards actually are not there. But for the poor player they mean dismay and destruction. He comfortably announces that he usually "goes round in the eighties." But this is on a course far from up to date, and probably in July or August, when the ground is baked so that a topped ball will run almost as far as one truly hit, and when any kind of sloppy shot will reach the green without getting into trouble. Transfer this complacent gentleman to a links like Garden City, formidable with a narrow fair-way and trapped so as to punish every bungled shot, and his mortification, or rage, will tell the real story of the difference between the hard and easy course. Many a *soi-disant* "eighty man" has essayed the National Links repeatedly, without being able to get under a hundred.

The greater severity of the English links is correctly assigned by Vardon and Ray as one of the reasons why they English standard of amateur play is higher than ours. There are other reasons, which will lead to the mind of every informed person. It is not merely a question of championships. With the exception of Walter Travis, our venturous amateurs have not fared well in England—though Schmidt gave the British a bad quarter-of-an-hour last year. The chances are obviously against any man who has to fight his way through a tournament against a high-class field. Hilton did it in 1911, but was early put out in the American championship last year. It is to be said, however, that the differences favouring the English are rapidly disappearing; and with the tendency now prevailing in this country to make golf links a sharper test of the fine points of the game, it may well be the Vardon and Ray, on their next visit, will find the conditions more nearly equalized.

## U. S. MARINES.

## Reduction of Philipines and China Brigade.

Orders were received in Manila on the 20th inst. at the headquarters of the first brigade, United States Marines, ordering the reduction of the brigade to approximately 150 men. This means that all the marines now in the islands will be removed with the exception of sufficient men to form a guard barely sufficient to take care of the property of the brigade.

This move takes away from Manila all the headquarters staff officers and most of the officers from the other stations, and will also affect the China station. The effect of the change, upon Cavite and Olongapo will, undoubtedly, be bad for merchants who will thus lose the main source of their business.

It is understood that three companies of marines will go to Honolulu and probably some to Guam and Panama.

## Diamond in the Breakfast.

Inside a bloater she was preparing for breakfast Mrs. Burgham, of the Alexandra Tavern, Norwich, saw a glittering object the size of a large pea. Persuaded that it was a gem she had it submitted to a jeweller's test, and it was pronounced a genuine diamond. The gem had apparently once been set in a ring.

Alman on a Roof. Mr. Briant Hunt, a pupil at the aerodrome at Eastbourne, met with two mishaps while flying recently. Leaving the aerodrome in a Bristol biplane during the afternoon he was flying above St. Anthony's avenue when his engine stopped. The machine fell from a height of about fifteen feet on to the attic. Mr. Hunt was unhurt and left the roof of a new house, dislodging some tiles and making a hole into the roof of a ladder. The engine was not damaged, but the machine was practically wrecked. Earlier in the day Mr. Hunt fell from a height of fifteen feet in a Blériot machine but was not hurt.

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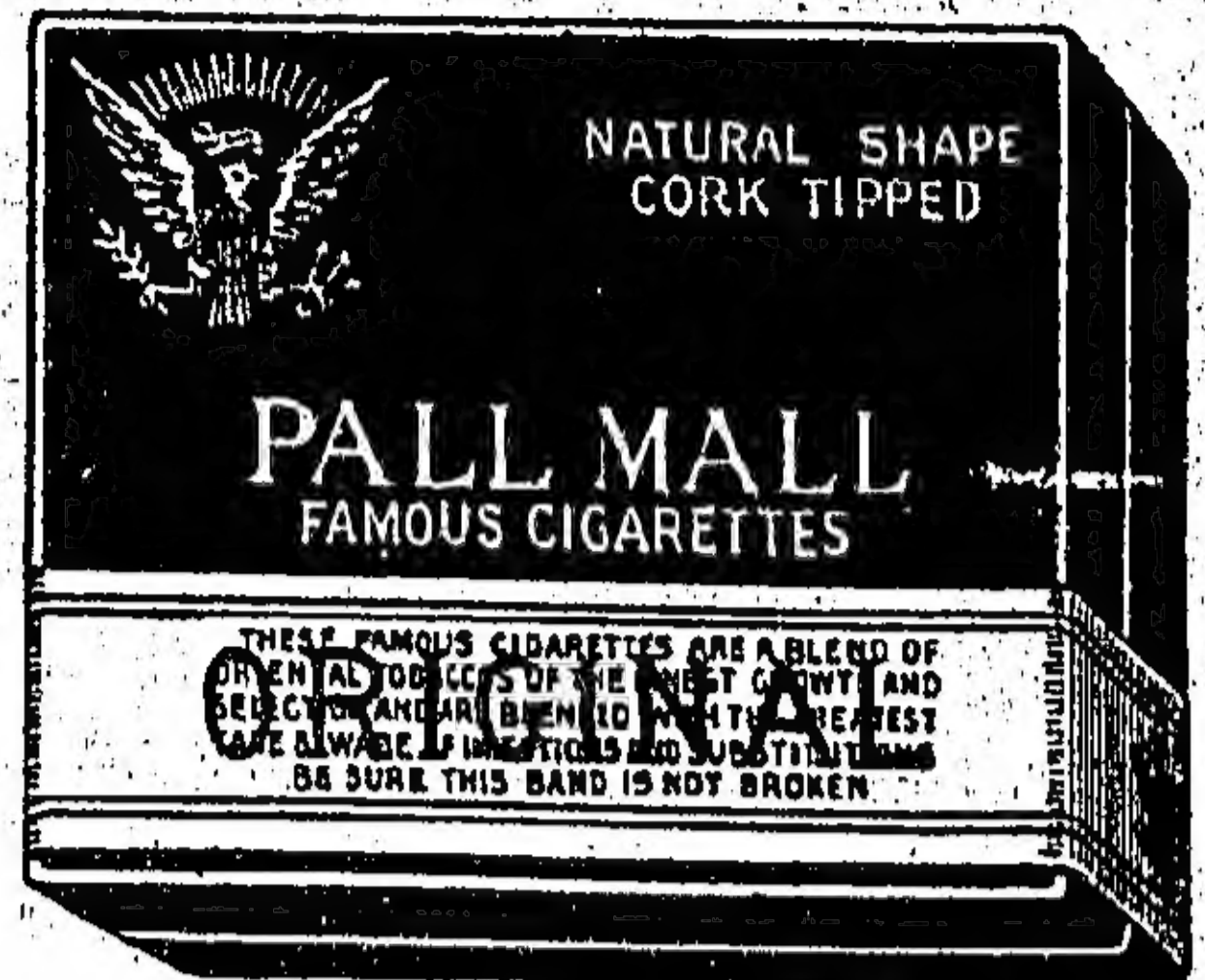
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## BIRTHS.

CARPENTER.—At the Government Civil Hospital on 29th  
December, to Mr. & Mrs. E. W. Carpenter, a son.HARRIS.—On December 20, 1913, at No. 37 Boone Road,  
Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. R. Harris, a daughter.PETERSEN.—On December 20, 1913, at Copenhagen, to Mr.  
and Mrs. V. Petersen (Tientsin), a daughter.SAYER.—On December 20, at the Victoria Nursing Home,  
Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. G. Burton Sayer, a daughter.KLEIMAN.—On December 17, at Keppel Harbour, Singapore,  
the wife of J. B. Kleiman, of a son.MACKIE.—On December 23, at the Victoria Nursing Home,  
Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. James Mackie, a son.

## MARRIAGE.

HILL-WALKER.—On December 23, at the Holy Trinity Cath-  
edral, Shanghai, by the Rev. A. J. Walker, Philip Keith Hill, M.R.C.S.,  
L.R.C.P., of Telan, Hupoh, youngest son of J. K. Hill, Esq., J.P.,  
Millfield, York, to Mary Winifred, younger daughter of Mr. and  
Mrs. Jno. Walker, Bryn Avon, Nottingham.

## DEATHS.

DALTON.—On December 13, 1913, at Tientsin, Norah, only  
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Dalton, Newchwang, aged fourteen  
years and eight months.WARE.—On December 21, 1913, at 20 Kwenning Road, Shang-  
hai, Rev. James Ware, F.R.S.A., of the Foreign Christian Mission-  
ary Society, aged 54 years.DESKER.—On December 19, at his residence No. 22, Race  
Course Road, Singapore, Edward Henry Desker; aged 53 years.

## THE USTER OUTLOOK.

Just at the moment there is a truce in party politics. For once  
in a way the platforms are deserted, and the spokesmen of all par-  
ties are silent. May be the temporary lull in the battle of politics  
will cause men to think. If it does nothing else than to encourage  
the spirit of consideration for the other's standpoint it will have ac-  
complished much, for, once such an attitude is gained, the settlement  
of differences comes appreciably nearer. Settlements to be lasting  
and permanent can only spring from compromise, from give-and-  
take, and it is when a man or a party comes round to a willingness  
to seek the reasonable claims of the other side that the foundation  
of a compromise is laid.

It will be opportune, therefore, to reflect at this particular  
moment on the situation so far as it affects the burning question of  
the hour in British politics—Home Rule. No one who has followed  
the trend of recent developments on this issue will dispute the  
assertion that to-day the prospects of some satisfactory arrangement  
between the two parties of the State are brighter than they have  
been since the day when the contentious measure was introduced in  
Parliament. From a state of absolute and most bitter antagonism  
the leading men of either camp have veered round to perceive the  
great necessity of an adjustment of views. The talk of settlement  
by consent has grown in scope and volume. Both parties have  
professed their anxiety to attain such a settlement, and a distinct step  
forward has been made by the circumstance that Mr. Asquith and  
Mr. Bonar Law have communicated one with the other on the ques-  
tion by letter. Such a move is pregnant with possibilities, and it  
will be surprising if a round-table conference between the rival  
parties does not eventually take form.

However fierce the antagonism between statesmen has appeared  
to be on this Home Rule question, it is without doubt the fact that  
of late public opinion has been in a moderate and conciliatory mood.  
That point has to be kept in mind when the question of the advan-  
tage of a General Election is under consideration. In our view  
the Government cannot reasonably maintain that they have a  
"mandate" to carry forward the Home Rule Bill, and therefore,  
from that standpoint, the right and proper course would appear to  
be a submission of the question to the electorate. But with the ap-  
parent desire of the people for a compromise, so dearly loved by  
Britishers, it is as well to regard the conciliatory nature of public  
opinion as a moral asset which might very well be destroyed by a  
General Election. So it follows that a party conference is the supreme  
need of the moment. And it is much to be hoped that that end will  
be materially hastened by the present truce in political warfare.

## A Year's Review.

Attached to this issue, in the  
form of an "extra" will be found  
the first part of a review of the  
year's happenings in Hongkong.  
This has been written and com-  
piled in such a way that it is  
believed that readers will be  
placed in possession of a compact  
summary which they will find  
sufficiently useful to preserve.  
All the salient features of the  
year's doings will be found woven  
into a narrative which is not too  
short to be scrappy nor too long  
to be tiresome. The review will  
appear in two more extras, publish-  
ed to-morrow and Wednesday,  
so that, on the last day of the year  
our readers will have had present-  
ed to them a record of the year's  
doings brought fully up-to-date.  
As is remarked in the opening  
paragraph of the review, 1913  
has not been a notable year for any  
outstanding event, but it is none less  
a year worth looking back upon,  
and we feel certain that Hongkong  
people will be glad of the oppor-  
tunity of doing so without trouble  
to themselves.

## A Sprinting Record.

Reuter reports that J. Donald-  
son, running at Cardiff, covered  
the furlong in 21.34 seconds.  
That is fine going and once again  
confirms the belief that Donaldson  
is the fastest sprinter living. He  
has been recognised as that ever  
since he defeated K.C. Walker,  
the one-time Olympic champion.  
But why does Reuter in his  
wire, specially single out Hut-  
chens' record as being broken.  
Hutchens covered the furlong in  
21.45 seconds in 1885, but that  
record has since been equalled at  
least twice. In 1887 C. G. Wood  
equalled Hutchens' record and  
only last year that great little  
runner, W. Applethorpe, did the  
same. Donaldson has now several  
records to his name. He did the  
hundred in 9.35 seconds in  
Australia, two years ago, and in  
one fifth of a second more last year  
at Home. He is also credited with  
during 130 yards in 12 seconds  
Australia a couple of years ago,  
which is tremendous running,  
if the clocking was good.

## Indian Hopes.

Though the Indian National  
Congress at Karachi has appar-  
ently been characterised by vehe-  
ment declarations on the Natal  
question, there is at least one  
satisfactory element about the  
speeches. That is, the unanimity  
of the delegates to press for full  
citizenship of the British Empire.  
One of the speakers urged that  
the Moghul Emperors' vision of a  
United India ought to be realised  
under the aegis of British rule,  
and he struck a hopeful note  
when he appealed that the mis-  
understandings of the past should  
be forgotten. We generally look  
for extreme statements from the  
leaders of nationalist movements  
among subject races, but there is  
nothing in the comments we have  
quoted to which the most ardent  
Imperialist could dissent. And  
we hope they foreshadow the day  
when all classes in India will  
work together for the common good  
of the Empire and the country.

## Latest in Wireless.

These are days when wonderful  
strides are being made in the  
perfection of wireless telegraphy.  
It is now quite a common expe-  
rience for travellers on the sea to com-  
municate with their friends ashore  
by this method. The latest  
development is for people making  
long railway journeys to be sup-  
plied with the day's news by  
wireless. Last month while a  
train was travelling at the rate of  
sixty miles an hour on the  
Laokawanna (U.S.A.) Railway  
news bulletins received in this  
way were issued for the benefit of  
passengers. A Soranton news-  
paper sent 250 words from the  
Laokawanna wireless station, the  
despatches dealing with the battle  
in Mexico, the Mexican situation  
generally, and a threatened gen-  
eral electric strike in Schenectady.

## Remanded.

Mr. Walker, of Messrs Deacon,  
Looker, Deacon and Harston, at  
the Police Court, this morning,  
asked for a remand in a case of  
alleged gambling in which a  
party of Chinese was concerned.  
The request was granted.

## DAY BY DAY.

BE CHEERFUL. GIVE THIS LONE-  
SOME WORLD A SMILE.  
WE STAY AT LONGEST BUT A  
LITTLE WHILE.  
HASTEN WE MUST, OR WE SHALL  
LOSE THE CHANCE.  
TO GIVE THE GENTLE WORD,  
THE KINDLY GLANCE.  
BE SWEET AND TENDER—THAT IS  
DOING GOOD.  
THIS DOING WHAT NO OTHER  
GOOD DEED COULD.

The Mails.  
Siberian Mail.—Left per s.s.  
Kanchow at midnight on  
Saturday.  
Siberian Mail.—Due per s.s.  
Franz Ferdinand to-morrow.  
French Mail.—Due per s.s. Dan-  
ba to-morrow.  
French Mail.—Close per s.s.  
Polynesia at 11 a.m. to-  
morrow.  
American Mail.—Close per s.s.  
China at 11 a.m. to-morrow.  
Siberian Mail.—Due per s.s.  
Danba at 5 p.m. to-morrow.  
Mr. J. W. Doring arrived from  
home on Saturday and went on  
duty in the Police Force this  
morning.

## To Consignees.

Consignees of cargo by the s.s.  
Merionethshire are reminded that  
goods remaining undelivered  
after to-morrow will be subject  
to rent.

## "Fit and Well."

Mr. Knoll, the well-known and  
popular local jockey, was in the  
saddle yesterday afternoon, and,  
to use a sporting term, "he looked  
fit and well."

## General Broadwood.

Lieutenant-General Broadwood,  
C.B., who was in the command  
of the troops in South China three  
years ago, has been placed on  
retired pay.

## Silk Cargo.

The cargo of raw silk shipped  
on board the Atlantic which  
left this port on November 4,  
was delivered at New York on the  
December 22—43 days only.

## Foki Clears Off.

A jeweller at 204, Queen's Road  
Central, has reported to the police  
that he trusted a foki with gold  
value \$55, to be made into ear-  
rings. The man has cleared out  
of the Colony with the gold.

## Burglary Reported.

A burglary occurred at 158,  
Des Voeux Road, between mid-  
night and 6 a.m. to-day, it being  
reported that someone forced the  
trap door upon the roof and stole  
\$11 worth of clothing and a  
watch and chain value \$41.

## Wouldn't Wash.

"Oh, your papers are no good,  
you will produce them by the  
million," said Mr. Hazeland, at  
the Police Court, this morning,  
to a Chinese charged with being  
in unlawful possession of a small  
quantity of opium and who pro-  
duced an opium farmer's certi-  
ficate which was not relative to  
the opium in his possession.

## Latest Advertisements.

Consignees of notices concerning  
the sale of the property of the  
estate of the late Mr. J. R. Wood.  
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A notification is issued regard-  
ing the Russian Volunteer Fleet,  
as Kourak due here on January  
8.—Page 5.

The ninth annual children's  
sports are to be held on the  
Kowloon C.C. Ground on New  
Year's Day.—Page 5.

## EXTRADITION CASE.

## Further Proceedings this

## Afternoon.

The case in which proceedings  
for extradition are being taken  
against Chang San-nam, was con-  
tinued this afternoon at the Police  
Court before Mr. J. R. Wood.

Sir Francis Pigott said, that  
as his Worship was against him  
on his submission that there was  
no case against him, he would  
in view of further proceedings  
that might be taken, ask his  
Worship to answer questions  
which he would put to him.

His Worship—I don't intend  
to answer them.  
Sir Francis, however, put a  
series of questions amounting to  
five in all, in the course of which  
Mr. Potter submitted that it was  
absolutely improper in the legal  
sense to put questions to his  
Worship.

His Worship.—The right po-  
sition for me is not to answer  
your questions until you have  
completed your case.  
His Worship intimated that he  
had acted the record, to that  
effect.

## LIGHTHOUSE LIFE.

Bidding the Sailor Beware  
In China.

(SPECIAL ARTICLE.)

From Amoy to Dodd Island  
where is a lighthouse is  
a thirty mile journey and the  
most luxurious means of reaching  
the lighthouse there is by junk.  
In favourable weather it is a  
journey; in inopportunities weather  
it is beyond description. From the  
hold comes the stench of reeking  
fish, from the smoking, foot-cook-  
ing chatty, a mixture of miasmas  
that by comparison makes the fever  
breeding ghettos of Constantinople  
a "cadian." The shades of  
night begin to fall and the rays of  
the eighty-five kilometre burner  
sweep across the water, dancing  
out the warning that "danger be  
near."

At last, alongside. You  
climb to the house and, by your  
own tongue you are welcomed, a  
comer from a new world, a  
messenger with news from lands  
beyond the sun. A visit from  
prince or pauper stirs with  
equal greatness the lethargy of  
the men who tend the light. A  
hen with chicks, scurries away  
picking her youngling family  
into safety. A visitor, to her, is  
like the fox, irreconcilable with  
the surroundings; even men have  
become fixtures. A ragged look-  
ing terrier of doubtful parentage  
grows savagely at the intruder  
and closes his teeth partly be-  
cause he sees you welcomed by  
his master.

There are three Europeans  
on the island and each take  
a three hours watch from  
sunset to sunrise, a Chinese  
doing a fourth. But no Chinese  
dare touch the light. Should  
there be a sudden burst of flame  
from the blinding burner, he  
rings a bell for European assist-  
ance, switching off light being a  
matter too serious for one who  
takes not even death seriously.

The quarters are clean and whole-  
some, the food passable since for  
the most part it is tinned. When  
not on watch the only recreation  
is a hand at cards, fishing or,  
when calm, an occasional dumpy  
ride to the "near" piece of betu-  
ling land. There is nothing  
here, but where even prayer is  
a charm, anything is welcomed  
as a break in the practically  
chargeless round. One time of  
reading as one tires of feeding  
hens, or playing with a monkey  
on a dog. Yet what more is there  
to do? The lighthouse man is  
allowed but twenty-eight days  
leave in a year. For twenty-eight  
days he has the opportunity of  
coming into contact with some-  
thing of civilisation. In that  
period he has the opportunity of  
seeing fresh faces, shaking hands  
with fellow creatures beyond  
those of his two mates; in that  
period he is reminded that the  
world is comprised of more acres  
than Dodd Island, and populated  
by more white men.

For this seclusion he is paid  
the magnificent sum of seventy  
taels of month, with quarters but  
must provide his own food.  
By dint of hard work and a close  
study of the mechanism of the  
light, he can reach the princely  
wage of one hundred and fifty  
taels a month. True, at the end  
of ten years he is allowed twelve  
months leave with a year's pay  
and first class passage to any part  
of the world. But is it worth it?  
For ten long years, however, but  
others have left for the numerous  
fortune-hunting grounds of the  
world, brothers and sisters be-  
come but a memory. We are  
continually reminded of the self-  
sacrificing missionaries who go  
out to save souls and renounce  
the world and its pleasures to that  
end; but who ever pleads for the  
men who sacrifice home and its  
comforts, the pleasure of friends,  
deny themselves the opportunities  
of acquiring wealth and the com-  
forts of life? With well lined  
stomachs we lean over the rail of an  
ocean liner and admire the twink-  
ling gleam of the mariner's guid-  
ing star. We make more or less wild  
conjectures as to the distance it  
is away, of what particular dan-  
ger it makes this man on the  
bridge apprehensive; but when  
do we think of the poor fellows  
who labour through a fiery-like  
existence of a decade of weary  
years to bid us "take care?"

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Griffins and Other Ponies  
Discussed.

The racing this season is likely  
to prove about the most interest-  
ing in the annals of the Jockey  
Club, if indications are true.  
To commence with, the policy of  
the Club of raising the stakes, in  
many of the races is a matter for  
congratulation in that the prizes  
now offered are the best in the  
East. The introduction of the  
Tiam Handicap, adds new races to  
the programme, tends to bring  
forward a slightly different class  
of pony, and institutes two new  
races on the Off Day, viz:—The  
Tiam Handicap and the Hong-  
kong Handicap, the prizes in both  
instances being \$750, \$250, and  
\$125.

## Concerning the Ponies.

Sir Paul Chater has a long  
string of animals to bear his  
colours in the annual meeting,  
including Trefl, and Flock,  
and Royal Rose. The first  
two are strangers to Hong-  
kong though much seems to be  
expected of them. Royal Rose,  
on the other hand, is a regular  
evergreen, with the Derby to his  
credit. Indeed this must be a  
wonderful pony, for he raced as  
far back as 1910 and won pre-  
mier honours in 1911. These  
ponies were out on Saturday and,  
if appearances are anything to  
go by, they should show up well  
when the test comes.

Of the new class of ponies  
bought for two hundred taels or  
less, two seem to have the best  
looking ones, although the fine  
long-striding animal of Mr. N. J.  
Stabb must not be lost sight of.  
While speaking of two we must  
not forget that they have several  
nice griffins and one big grey  
and one blinkered grey which  
appear to be moving quite well.

What Mr. Ellis Kadoorie has  
up his sleeve this year remains  
for time to show. Except for  
Selongar Chief nothing else has  
arrived for him as yet. How-  
ever, the bunch are expected to  
sail on January 31. Con-  
sequently the time for their  
training will be short but un-  
doubtedly they have been well  
looked after in Shanghai and  
have had plenty of work to do.

An "Expected" Candidate.  
Mr. Soares has two griffins ar-  
rived; one is an exceptionally  
big strong pony and it is reported  
that he has done the mile and a  
half in 3 min. 15 secs. in Shang-  
hai. If he has the usual good  
joss he should be first in the  
Derby this time instead of second  
and third as has been the case  
with Mr. Soares' ponies in the last  
two years.

Mr. H. P. White includes two  
of the "taeler" class in his lot,  
both of which seem quite capable  
of using their legs to good effect,  
while the evergreen Capello is  
looking as fresh as ever.

Among the subscription gift  
fins Messrs. H. Humphreys, H.  
Seth, G. K. Hall Brutton and the  
Bank Mess seem to have done  
well. The animals appear to be  
a better lot than last year,  
although the majority of them  
are on the small side. Mr. Seth's  
sub has the reputation of having  
done the three quarters in 1 min.  
36 secs. at Shanghai and the wise  
men of the East are favourably  
considering its chances. Mr.  
Brutton has also a nice pony of  
the "taeler" class.

Last Saturday the course was  
open for the first time this  
season. The going was good  
and the course appeared in an  
excellent condition. There was  
a fair attendance of on lookers  
including Sir Paul Chater, Mr.  
N. J. Stabb, Mr. H. Humphreys,  
Mr. Jupp, the Hon. Mr. D.  
Landale, Mr. H. P. White, Mr.  
Gresson and Mr. Forrest.

"Observer" writes that it is  
astonishing how many members  
of the Jockey Club have gone in  
for actual racing this year. In  
consequence of this influx into  
the ranks of owners, there will  
be, most assuredly, record entries  
though that might not necessarily  
mean good fields. Anyhow, with  
small entries large fields cannot  
be looked forward to, with large  
entries large fields are possible.  
Of the owners Sir Paul Chater,  
the racing veteran, has a string of  
no less than eighteen ponies, Mr.  
John Peel has sixteen, Mr. Ellis  
Kadoorie twelve, Mr. H. Seth eight,  
Mr. Soares four, and one likely  
Derby winner, Mr. Knoll has four.

THE "TELEGRAPH'S"  
ACROSTIC.

The Answer.

1.	Atti	C
2.	E-M	U
3.	Edga	R
4.	Rule	R
5.	Just I	C
6.	Canto	N
7.	Almana	C
8.	Nativit	V

Notes: (1) Attio salt (2) In the  
emu the characters of the sexes  
are reversed, the hen, in general  
demeanour resembling the cock of  
other birds, leaving incubation  
entirely to the male. (3) King of  
all the English. (6) A Swiss  
Canton or county.

In his team, Mr. Brutton  
has six, and other members  
of the Jockey Club have a stable  
of from two to five. Sir Paul  
Chater has five very good Derby  
ponies, and Mr. Peel has a crack-  
jack of 13.2 high, which has  
come down from Shanghai with  
a most remarkable reputation.

Mr. Ellis Kadoorie has been  
most unfortunate in the fact that  
his ponies are not yet down.  
It can be relied upon  
however, that he has one or two  
very good griffins, but until his  
ponies are seen, little can be said  
about them. They are expected  
to arrive about January 5, which  
is very late for the corners to be  
knocked off them. This delay is  
through the shortage of horse  
boxes.

Thirty-seven subs. have already  
arrived and received their respec-  
tive owners, and of those Mr.  
Humphreys' spotted roan, Mr.  
Bishop's piebald, and Sir Paul  
Chater's nutmeg grey and spotted  
white are the pick of the bunch;  
at least one should add as a  
proviso, so far. The spotted  
white, which is in the stable of  
Mr. Kadoorie, was Piraka Chief,  
at one time, and belonged to Mr.  
Kadoorie in Shanghai, but was  
discarded. It has since been  
trained in Shanghai, and looks a  
likely winner. Most of the ponies  
here have had their initial gallops  
and there is not the slightest  
doubt that the ponies this  
year are superior to what we  
had two or three years ago, and  
certainly superior to what we  
had last year.

Of the Navy Cup ponies only a  
few are good. Mr. Soares has a  
Derby pony that is likely to invite  
the extended ability  
of the best to beat it. I am  
informed that the redoubtable  
jockey Mr. Burkill will not  
be seen in the saddle at Hong-  
kong, in the forthcoming races,  
and that there is a doubt as to  
Mr. Johnson. The former will be  
prevented by the recent demise  
of his father, and the latter  
owing to his brother's absence.  
It is to be hoped, however that  
Mr. Johnson will come back  
from England via the Siberian  
railway in time to allow of his  
crack brother making the journey  
to Hongkong. Mr. Heard will  
come down instead of Mr. Johnson  
for Mr. Peel, Mr. B. Stewart for  
Mr. Kadoorie. He is a well-known  
Tientsin crack and much  
is expected from  
him. Messrs. Moller and  
Vida will be down, and Mr.  
Dalgarno will ride for Mr. Soares.  
Mr. Harry Gegg, the brother of  
the local rider of that name, will  
ride for Mr. L. d'Almada. The  
Clerk of the Hongkong Course  
is said to be at his wits' end to  
find accommodation for all the  
ponies that are expected. There are  
not less than 200, yet there is  
but stabling for eighty. It is  
suggested that the Government  
allow matcheds to be erected near  
the race-course so that the extra  
ponies can be accommodated.  
More will appear anon as  
to the prospects of the ponies.

## RUGBY.

Navy and Army.

The second league game of the  
season will be played on the  
Club ground at Happy Valley on  
Wednesday next, December 31,  
kick off at 4.15 p.m. The Army  
Team is as follows:—  
Backs: Lt. Smyth, half-back,  
Lt. Thickett, Lt. Clagrove,  
Three Quarters: Lt. Collins,  
Lt. Prym (Capt.), Lt. Taylor, Lt.  
Bignall, forwards Capt. Tyrrell,  
Lt. Monber, Lt. Shearer, Lt.  
Paske, Lt. Bishro, Lt. Neville,  
Lt. James, Sapper Paster.

## CRICKET.

## Fine Century on the Club Ground.

A fine century marked the all-day match between Mr. R. P. Thurstfield's XI. and the Hongkong University at the H.K.O.O. ground on Saturday. Just under the forty minutes' interval put up 110 runs in rattling style, coloring 28 runs from one over alone. His bowling average was six wickets for thirty in the University's first innings. The following were the scores:—

## MR. THURSTFIELD'S XI.

First Innings.	
S.S. Moore, b Salt ...	8
R. Kennedy, b Salt ...	3
A.R. Sutherland, retired ...	110
H.H. Taylor, c and b Marley ...	28
Brownrigg, b Ng Tze Kwong ...	30
P. Jacks, b Salt ...	5
A. Biden, c Ng Tze Kwong, b Marley ...	1
E. D. Donnelly, c Ng Tze Kwong, b Marley ...	12
Reed, not out ...	16
Gace, b Ng Tze Kwong ...	0
R. P. Thurstfield, c Chan Wing To ...	5
Extras ...	9
Total ...	227

Second Innings.	
Sutherland, c Chan Yat Kwong, b Yew Man Cheong ...	12
Reed, c Tanabull, b Marley ...	55
Moore, not out ...	5
Brownrigg, c Smith, b Yew Man Cheong ...	6
Kennedy, c, by Marley ...	3
Donnelly, c Ng Sze Yuen, b Marley ...	6
Gace, run out ...	5
Jacks, not out ...	2
Extras ...	5
Total (for 6 wickets) ...	100

## H.K. UNIVERSITY.

First Innings.	
A. E. W. Salt, c Jacks, b Brownrigg ...	4
Ng Tze Kwong, c Sutherland, b Brownrigg ...	5
Chan Wing-to, b Sutherland, c G. E. Marley, b Sutherland ...	8
Wei Wing Lok, b Sutherland, c Chan Yat Kwong, b.w., b Sutherland ...	0
Yew Man Cheong, b Reed ...	23
Ng Sze Yuen, not out ...	13
C. A. M. Smith, b Sutherland ...	4
R. Anderson, b Sutherland ...	0
H. W. Turnbull, b Reed ...	7
Extras ...	13
Total ...	82

Second Innings.	
Ng Tze Kwong, b Reed ...	29
Ng Sze Yuen, b Reed ...	7
A. E. W. Salt, b Taylor ...	21
G. E. Marley, b Donnelly ...	31
Yew Man Cheong, c Reid, b Donnelly ...	12
Chan Yat Kwong, c Brownrigg, b Donnelly ...	9
H. W. Turnbull, c Moore, b Sutherland ...	24
Chan Wing To, c G. E. Marley, b Thurstfield ...	4
C. A. M. Smith, b Thurstfield ...	5
R. Anderson, not out ...	0
Extras ...	15
Total ...	157

## LEAGUE CRICKET.

Police Win Easily.  
In the Hongkong Cricket League, the Police were at home to the R.G.A. on Saturday winning easily by seventy-three runs. The scores were:—

## POLICE.

K. McLennan, c Wilson, b Smith ...	21
E. Goucher, b Payne ...	2
A. Grimmett, b Wilson ...	28
E. Alexander, c Kingsbury, b Payne ...	84
E. Barker, c Cooper, b Payne ...	7
T. H. King, run out ...	2
W. Kent, b Payne ...	23
W. Pitt, c Cooper, b Wilson ...	3
E. A. Vincent, not out ...	2
C. Kelly, did not bat ...	0
Extras ...	13
Total ...	123

## Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.	
Payne ...	133 3 28 4
Osple ...	6 0 23 0
Smith ...	5 0 23 1
Wilson ...	7 0 36 2

## R.G.A.

Payne, c Goucher, b King ...	1
Kingsbury, b King ...	11
Osple, b Kelly ...	0
Wason, b.w., b Kelly ...	5
Smith, b Kelly ...	8
Howitt, b King ...	0
Cooper, run out ...	2
Hinves, c King, b Kelly ...	1
Willis, b Kent ...	16
Weston, b Kelly ...	2
Extras ...	4
Total ...	50

## SPECIAL CABLES.

## SHANGHAI SHIPPING MISHAP.

## CHINA MERCHANTS STEAMER BADLY DAMAGED IN COLLISION.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai Received Dec. 20.

The China Merchants Steam Navigation Company's steamer Toonan collided with the Japanese collier Taihei off the Bund on Saturday.

The Toonan was torn up amidships on the port side, but prompt beaching on the Bund prevented her from sinking.

The foreign and Chinese engineers on the Toonan were scalded by steam.

The Taihei was badly buckled.

The Toonan is now lying broadside to the Bund and is held by anchors driven into the Promenade.

## Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.	
P. H. King ...	6 1 13 3
C. Kelly ...	8 3 3 18 5
W. Kent ...	3 0 15 1

## TO-NIGHT'S CONCERT.

## A Treat in Store for Music-Lovers

The looking for the concert by the S.M.S. Schornhorst band at the City Hall, to night has proved excellent and a good evening's enjoyment is assured. It speaks well for Hongkong's collective musical taste that instrumental recitals invariably attract, but band programmes contain so little of musical masterpieces here, that the advent of the band of the German warship has been looked forward to with unqualified interest.

There has been a slight alternation in the programme for this evening and Puccini's "Madame Butterfly" fantasia has been substituted for Wagner's "Meistersingers" by special request. The new piece will only be exceeded in interest by the waltz from Richard Strauss' "Rosenkavalier."

Messrs. N. Peterkin and E. Danenlarg are rendering two piano works by Sinding and Saint-Saens. Owing to the difficulty of these pieces and the lack of able piano-dutists these selections and others of a similar nature are by no means familiar to Hongkong.

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HONGKONG AGENCY.

Homeward Bound.

(Odessa via usual ports of call.)

The S.S. Voronez, 5,616 R.T., Capt. Oranovsky, left Nagasaki and is expected to arrive here about the 31st day of December, 1913.

The S.S. Koursk, 6,400 R.T., Capt. Padalka, left Vladivostok and is expected to arrive here about the 8th day of January, 1914.

The above steamers will call at Beyrouth direct.

The exact date of arrival will be published after the receipt of sailing from the last port of call.

For Freight, Passage and further particulars, apply to

Capt. LUKHAMNOFF, Agent,

Hotel Mansions, Tel. No. 1224.

Hongkong, 29th Dec., 1913.

## Foreigner's Death.

The death is announced in Hankow, of malignant smallpox, of Mr. William Stephen, of Messrs. Molobanoff, Petshatnoff and Co. The Hankow Daily News states that the deceased was formerly in the employ of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire as a marine engineer.

## Today's Advertisements

From YOKOHAMA, KOBE and MOJI.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

HE Steamship "DUNERA," having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at consignees' risk and expense into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company Limited.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON & CO., LTD. Agents.

Hongkong, 27th Dec., 1913. [1103]

## TO LET.

TO LET—Furnished for seven months from the first week in March 1914; No. 64, The Peak.

Apply to G. M. HARTSON.

Hongkong, 29th Dec., 1913. [1105]

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From Hongkong	1st Jan.	Empress of Asia	19th Feb.
Empress of Russia	15th Jan.	Empress of Japan	5th Mar.
Empress of India	5th Feb.	Empress of Russia	19th Mar.

All Steamships leave Hongkong at noon.  
The "EMPERESS OF RUSSIA," and "EMPERESS OF ASIA" are new quadruple screw 21 knot turbine steamers, of 16,850 tons gross, 30,625 displacement, the finest, fastest and most luxurious on the Pacific.

The direct route to Canada, United States and Europe, calling at Shanghai, Nagasaki (through the Inland Sea of Japan), Kobe, Yokohama and Victoria, B.C.  
All Steamers of the Company's Pacific and Atlantic Fleets are equipped with Marconi Wireless apparatus.

PASSAGE RATES HONGKONG TO LONDON.

"EMPERESS OF RUSSIA," "EMPERESS OF ASIA," via Optional Atlantic Port, £71.10.  
"EMPERESS OF INDIA," "EMPERESS OF JAPAN," via Optional Atlantic Port £65.

Intermediate service, via Canadian Atlantic port £43, via Boston or New York £45.  
Rates quoted above do not include meals and sleeping car across Canada. These, if required, will be furnished for £6 additional.

SPECIAL RATES (First Class only) allowed to Naval and Military Officers, Civil Service employees, Missionaries, etc., etc.

Passengers purchasing Trans-Pacific Round Trip passage tickets have the option of returning from San Francisco by the steamers of the Pacific Mail S.S. Co., or Toyo Kisen Kaisha.

Local and through passengers may, if desired, travel by rail between Ports of call in Japan.

For further information, Maps, Routes, Handbooks, Rates of Freight and Passage, apply to

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## BRITISH INDIA S. N. CO., LTD.

## APCAR LINE.

Regular Service Between CALCUTTA, STRAITS, SHANGHAI AND JAPAN PORTS.

## EASTWARD.

S.S. "A. Apar," 4,450 tons, Capt. Walker, will be despatched for SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI on 30th Dec.  
S.S. "Thongwa," 6,298 tons, Capt. Robins, will be despatched to YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI on 6th Jan.

## WESTWARD.

S.S. "C. Apar," 4,600 tons, Capt. Drake, will be despatched for SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA on 30th Dec.  
S.S. "Dunera," 5,399 tons, Capt. Dickinson, will be despatched as above on 2nd Jan.

The above steamers have excellent saloon accommodation for passengers and are fitted with all modern conveniences and carry a duly qualified surgeon.

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Hongkong, Dec. 27th, 1913.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO,  
AND  
WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

Joint Service of THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO. LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

HONGKONG TO CANTON. CANTON TO HONGKONG.

Monday, 29th December.

10.00 p.m. "Kinshan," 5.00 p.m. "Heungshan."

Tuesday, 30th December.

8.00 a.m. "Heungshan," 8.00 a.m. "Fatshan,"

10.00 p.m. "Kinshan," 5.00 p.m. "Kinshan."

These steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to the Superior Saloon and Cabin. Electric Fan in each Cabin.

A Telephone service has been recently installed on the Canton. Company's Steamers—Day Steamers Call No. 776. Night Steamers. Call No. 775.

## HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "Sui-Tai," S.S. "Tai Shan."

HONGKONG TO MACAO.

Week days at 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

Sundays at 9 a.m. & 12.30 p.m. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

## MACAO TO HONGKONG.

Week days at 7.30 a.m. & 2 p.m. Sundays at 7.30 a.m. & 5 p.m.

## EXCURSION TO MACAO

SUNDAY, 4th January.

The Company's new Steamship,

"Tai Shan,"

will depart from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf at 9 a.m. and return from Macao at 4 p.m.

N.B.—The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at 7.30 a.m. and from Hongkong at 12.30 p.m. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

## FARES

Saloon—Single \$3.00 Return \$5.00.  
1st Class—Single 2.00 Return 2.00. 2nd Class—Single 1.00 Return 2.00.  
Staterooms—Saloon, \$1.00 per person each way. 1st Class, 50 cents per person each way.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the Company.

## CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "Sui-An."

Departures from Macao to Canton on Mon., Wed., & Fri., at 9 p.m.  
Departures from Canton to Macao on Tues., Thurs., & Satur., at 4.30 p.m.

## Joint Service of

Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., The China Navigation Co., Ltd., and The Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.

## CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "Salmam," 588 Tons, and "Nanning," 569 Tons.

One of the above steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8 a.m., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at 8.30 a.m. Round trips take about 5 days. Passengers can return to Hongkong or vice versa by the Company's direct steamers "Linton," and "Sanul." These vessels have superior Cabin accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity. Electric Fan in each Cabin.

Booking Office open daily (Sunday excepted) 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the

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Opposite the Blake Pier.

## Shipping

## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.)



Projected Sailings from Hongkong—

Destination.	Steamers	Sailing Date
MAKESBILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez, and Port Said	Asaula Maru Capt. J. Nagao T. 16,000 Hitachi Maru Capt. Y. Mawaki T. 12,500	WEDNES., 31st Dec. at d'lgt. WEDNES., 14th Jan. at d'lgt.

VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE Shanghai, via Mojito, Kobe, Yokohama, and Yokohama	Yokohama Maru Capt. Wada T. 12,500 Awa Maru Capt. Shimidzu T. 12,500	TUES., 30th Dec. at noon. TUESDAY, 13th Jan. at noon.
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SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, via Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville and Brisbane	Tango Maru Capt. T. Sekine T. 13,500 Nikko Maru Capt. Takeda T. 9,600	WEDNES., 14th Jan. at noon. WEDNES., 11th Feb. at noon.
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CALCUTTA via Singapore and Rangoon	Hakata Maru Capt. Nomura T. 12,500	MONDAY, 29th Dec.
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BOMBAY via Singapore and Colombo	Kawachi Maru Capt. Christensen T. 12,500	TUESDAY, 6th Jan.
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Kobe & Yokohama	Kitano Maru Capt. F. E. Cope T. 16,000	WED., 31st Dec. at 5 p.m.
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NAGASAKI, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama	Nikko Maru Capt. Takeda T. 9,600	WED., 14th Jan. at 11 a.m.
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SHANGHAI, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama	Inaba Maru Capt. Tominaga T. 12,500	WEDNESDAY, 31st Dec.
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SHANGHAI, Kobe & Yokohama	Kirin Maru Capt. Nakamura T. 5,000	WEDNESDAY, 31st Dec.
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HONGKONG  
PHILIPPINES.PHILIPPINES  
STEAMSHIP CO

Steamship.	T.	Captains.	For	Sailing date.
Zafiro	4000	F. S. McMurray	Manila, Mangarin, Cebu and Iloilo.	FRI., 2nd Jan. 4 p.m.
Rubi	4000	J. Miller	Manila, Mangarin, Cebu and Iloilo.	MON., 12th Jan. 4 p.m.

Electric light Fans in every cabin; competent stewardesses carried.  
Passengers holding round trip tickets may return by any steamer of the Pacific Mail S.S. Co., Toyo Kisen Kaisha, Norddeutscher Lloyd and Eastern and Australian Steamship Co., Ltd.

For Freight or Passage apply to  
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Hongkong, 24th Dec. 1913.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN  
LIJN.

Regular Fortnightly Service between  
JAVA, CHINA and JAPAN.

Steamers	From	Expected on or about	To	Will leave on or about
Tjipanas	JAVA	2nd half Dec.	JAPAN	2nd half Dec.
Tjimonok	JAVA	2nd half Dec.	SHAI	1st half Jan.
Tjibodas	SHAI	1st half Jan.	JAVA	1st half Jan.
Tjimali	JAVA	2nd half Jan.	JAVA	2nd half Jan.
Tjitarom	JANA	2nd half Jan.	SHAI	2nd half Jan.
Tjilwong	JAVA	1st half Feb.	JAPAN	1st half Feb.
Tjilajap	JAVA	1st half Feb.	JAPAN	1st half Feb.
Tjilini	JAVA	2nd half Feb.	SHAI	2nd half Feb.

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VIA SHANGHAI, MANILA, THE INLAND SEA,  
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Sailings from Hongkong—Subject to change without notice.

Steamer.	Displacement	Speed	Leave Hongkong.
Nippon Maru	11,000	15 knots	Wed., 14th Jan.
Tenyo Maru	22,000	21 knots	Satur., 17th Jan.
Hongkong Maru	11,000	10 knots	Tues., 10th Feb.
Shinyo Maru	22,000	21 knots	Fri., 13th Feb.

All steamers will be despatched at NOON.  
First Class to London.....£71.10. Return (6 months) £120.  
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KING'S BUILDINGS.

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Mail Service to Australia

via Manila.

## MAIL SCHEDULE

SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION

Steamers.	Arrive Hongkong from Australia.	Leave Hongkong for Australia.
St. Albans	.....	2nd Jan. at 11 a.m.
Eastern	.....	.....
Aldenharn	.....	.....
Empire	.....	.....

The above Steamers are fitted with Refrigerating Machinery, ensuring a plentiful supply of Ice, French Provisions, etc., and are lighted throughout with Electricity. All State-Rooms have Electric Fans. A duly qualified Doctor and Stewardess are carried.

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FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCCHOW RETURN.  
(Occupying 9 to 10 days.)

Steamships.	Captain.	Leaving.
*Hailing	W.C. Passmore	TUESDAY, 30th Dec. at 11 a.m.
*Hayang	A.E. Hodgins	FRIDAY, 2nd Jan. at 11 a.m.
*Hailan	J.S. Roach	TUESDAY, 6th Jan. at 11 a.m.

\*Calling at Amoy for passengers only.  
FOR SWATOW AND AMOY.

Steamers will arrive at and depart from the Co.'s Wharf near Blake Pier.

For Freight and Passage, apply to  
Douglas LaPrall & Co.  
General Managers

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## LOG BOOK.

## Steamship Profiles.

The balance-sheet of the Mail Line, which owns nine steamers engaged in the Cardiff trade, shows a profit for the year ended last June of £112,742, or £12,500 per steamer. The profits of the Navigation Steamship Co. were £352,347, while the Hain Steamship Company cleared £340,812, and the W. and O. T. Jones Steamship Company £105,262.

A Fire at Sea.  
A fire broke out on board the Japanese steamer Tainan Maru while on a voyage from Moji to Dairen on November 30 that was not extinguished until the following morning. The fire originated during a gale among some mail matter stowed in the after hold and the vessel was obliged to steam for sheltered water to combat the flames. The structural damage to the ship is slight.

## China Coast Conditions.

The last and largest concession to the officers and engineers of vessels employed on the coast of China, free passages home and half-pay while on leave, is one that will go far toward equalising the conditions of employment in local waters as compared with shipping out of home ports, and will undoubtedly serve to attract to the China coast a better class of officer than those on whom the firms have recently been compelled to rely for the navigation of their ships. Improvements in the condition of local service have been considerable within the last year, though none will deny that the present-day officer receives less than the onerous conditions of his service entitles him to. In February last the salary of the chief officer and second engineer was raised from £18 a month to £23 and that of second officer and third engineer in proportion. Four months later came the announcement that the three principal companies had decided to grant the request, put forward with much insistence by the China Coast Officers' Guild, that officers of either department when on sick leave should be given full pay as well as hospital expenses, and this last concession fits in the main all the demands put forward during the past two years. Without doubt these generous conditions have been in a large measure due to the organisation of the officers of both departments by means of their Guilds, the China Coast Officers' Guild for the deck department and the Marine Engineers' Guild of China which, by allowing their members to meet and exchange ideas on the subject, have afforded the opportunity of formulating definite plans which it was not to the interest of their employers to ignore. Something is also due to the shortage of officers both in home and local waters making it difficult to obtain the services of suitable men when almost equal conditions were to be obtained at home. Many will possibly take the view that, now everything that has been asked for has been granted, the guilds which were so largely instrumental in obtaining the concessions may be allowed to expire of inaction and withdraw that support that has shown for once their earnestness in demanding some recognition of the special circumstances of service in the Far East. Such a course would be manifestly unwise since the guilds which have been so successfully formed have a far wider field of utility than the restricted one of better conditions of pay and leave. Many matters connected with the navigation of the coast require the attention of a representative body, such as the China Coast Officers' Guild and now that the questions at issue between the owners and their employers have been amicably settled, the Guild might with advantage turn its attention to other matters connected with the welfare of the profession in local waters in which it will doubtless receive the hearty co-operation of the agents when they realize that its activities are directed against the corrosion of matters in which they themselves are interested—Shipping and Engineering.

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## 1913 IN RETROSPECT.

### A BACKWARD GLANCE OVER THE YEAR'S EVENTS.

The year now closing in Hongkong may be described, quite fairly, as a year of small events. It has been marked by no great outstanding incident which shall render it memorable—such an event, for instance, as the great typhoon of 1906. But a year of small events is often a year of progress because, it is a year of quiet, steady work; and, that, on careful reflection, may be said of 1913. It has been a year whose work may, and should, have its effect on the future history of Hongkong.

In the review which is here given, the chief events of the year are compactly given, not in chronological order but under their natural headings. It is believed that this will be found much the more satisfactory plan.

#### THE TRAMWAY BOYCOTT.

The year 1912 closed somewhat gloomily with the Tramway boycott still unbroken and the boycotters sullenly declining to be appeased. With the advent of the new year, however, the end came swiftly. The Government decided to enforce the provisions of the Boycott Prevention Ordinance, and areas were marked out with a view to levying the special tax contemplated by the Ordinance. This was followed by a meeting of over fifty influential Chinese at the Tung Wah Hospital, at which a discussion took place as to the best means of ending the boycott. A resolution was passed to the effect that every person present should purchase at least \$5 worth of tram tickets and a committee was appointed to approach the various district associations and guilds with a view to persuading them to buy tram tickets and to travel in the cars. A later meeting of the committee saw 5,000 tickets sold on the spot, and a number of those present afterwards travelled by car as far as the Post Office. Their example was quickly followed by other Chinese, and the end was in sight.

#### A Fine Speech.

A few days later—on January 13, to be exact—a well-attended meeting of Chinese merchants was held and Mr. Lau Chu-pak, in a speech marked by strong good sense and straight speaking, did more than a little to break down the final remaining opposition. He reminded his hearers that they were in Hongkong for business and not to create strife, that they enjoyed the hospitality of the British flag and that they should respect and abide by the laws which the Government had made. His speech was received with enthusiasm, and from that point the boycott rapidly approached to a full-stop. Not long after, the Government Gazette contained a proclamation by his Excellency the Governor ordering that the operation of the Boycott Prevention Ordinance should be suspended from February 7 until further notice. The boycott was over. It has long since been forgotten and is now little more than an interesting reminiscence. Yet it was not without its direct effect upon the history of the Colony, as will be seen when we come to discuss and recall new legislation passed during the year.

#### THE DOG SHOW.

Not the least interesting event of the year was the holding of a dog show at Happy Valley on March 22. The show was the out-

come of a series of articles which appeared in the *Telegraph* during the last three months of 1912. It was argued in these articles that a much greater number of social functions was possible in Hongkong if people would only hands, that a dog show was one of these possible functions, and that the primary result of such a show would be that owners would feel encouraged to take greater care as regards the condition of their dogs and would prevent much of the "crossing" so common in the Colony, so that eventually the breed of dogs would be greatly improved. The interest of readers was at length aroused, the patronage of His Excellency the Governor was obtained for the projected show, and some well-known sporting men agreed to act as a Committee. Despite the rain which fell heavily on the day of the show, the event was a success. The championship for best dog was awarded to Commander Lamb's "Rover," though it was a toss-up between the winner and Mr. Brutton's "Billy." All the dogs entered for the Championship were in perfect condition. The championship for best bitch went to Mrs. Jordan's "Peggy." One regrettable feature of the show was that there were only three Chinese and six Portuguese exhibitors. All things considered, however, the first dog show was successful enough to hold out hope for the future.

#### PIRACIES DURING 1913.

Piracies near Hongkong have occurred with some frequency during the year. The worst and most daring of all was that on the Tai On, on April 2. This vessel left the Li Kee Wharf for Kowloon about seven p.m. on that evening with about 400 passengers and a general cargo. Everything went well until about ten o'clock, when the ship had passed a line of fishing stakes about six miles from Lin Tin. Then a number of passengers, about fifty in all, who were well armed with revolvers, took charge of the ship and tied up the officers. There was a European lady missionary on board—Miss Dank—and she behaved with conspicuous courage and coolness. Miss Dank has resided for years in the East and knows Cantonese well. She was, therefore, able to intervene when the trouble arose and to urge the robbers to respect the lives of those on board. The officers of the vessel, indeed, were loud in their praises of her courage during the trouble. "She it was who saved us from getting shot," one of them admitted heartily.

#### Carefully Planned.

The whole affair had been most carefully planned. The pirates booked as first-class passengers and had use of the upper deck. They had their own pilot on board and he ran the vessel on a sand-bank. After ransacking the vessel they destroyed part of the engines, tore the dynamo up, spoiled the electric switch board, leaving the ship in darkness, and put out the fires. They then sent up rockets which promptly fetched sampans by means of which they left the vessel, and got away with money, jewellery, clothing etc., to the value of about twenty-five thousand dollars. The Chinese coxswain was shot dead at his post and a coolie passenger was also killed; one or two passengers were injured; but it was clear that the pirates did not harm those who were content not to give trouble.

The affair had two sequelae. The first was a fight

between Chinese authorities, aided by villagers, and the pirate gang in which many of the latter were killed. The second is best explained by the following letter.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, April 16, 1913.

Madam,—I am directed to convey to you His Excellency the Governor's high estimation of your courageous conduct on the occasion of the recent piracy of the s.s. "Tai On" and to inform you that steps are being taken to procure a Bible and travelling clock for presentation to you by this Government as a mark of its appreciation of the valuable assistance you rendered to the officers of the ship and to the passengers whereby the sacrifice of life was prevented.—I am, etc.

(Sd.) A. M. THOMSON,

Colonial Secretary.

Miss Dank,  
c/o Church Missionary Society,  
Hok Shan.

The month of April did not close without other piracies being reported; in each case the piracy was of a fishing junk. One was off Kan Kau-mun Island, while the junk was on a voyage from Macao to Aberdeen, and the other took place in Temple Bay, Shan Chun Island.

Of other piracies, only two more need be mentioned. On December 10 the Kwong Chow Wan, which flies the Portuguese flag, was pirated near Macao, and the Captain, Mr. J. F. Xavier do Jesus, was shot dead. Only a few weeks before, the sister ship, American, was also pirated.

#### NEW LEGISLATION.

Not a little important new legislation has been put into operation during the year. The ordinances dealing with currency are, of course, the most important. Early in June it became known that the Secretary of State for the Colonies had approved of the early introduction of legislation to prohibit after a reasonable period of notice importation into, and circulation in, the Colony of silver or nickel coins other than those belonging to the currency of the Colony and of all kinds of notes other than those of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China and the Mercantile Bank of India, Ltd.

#### Currency Matters.

Such a movement had, of course, been in the air for a long while past. Many people in Hongkong felt that prohibition of foreign money here could but be a work of time. The banks had never recognised either Cantonese coin or Macao notes, and, for some years the Post Office had also refused to accept them.

Some ten months before Canton copper coins were declared not to be legal tender, and, soon afterwards, the Star Ferry and various other companies and business houses announced that they would no longer accept Chinese silver. Then came the Tramway Company's decision in the matter, with the resulting boycott, which has already been discussed.

#### Little Opposition.

The new legislation naturally followed that successful attempt to rehabilitate the Hongkong ten-cent piece. Despite the temporary trouble which followed that attempt, matters smoothed themselves out very easily and in a comparatively short period of time. Chinese subsidiary coins still circulated in the Colony, but to nothing like the same extent as was the case a matter of six months before. The Hongkong coin had so taken its proper place in the currency of the Colony that it had driven the Chinese coin well into the background where it was hardly seen. It was obvious at the time, of course, that rehabilitation of the ten-cent piece was not the end but the beginning of currency reform and that the step taken in the fall of last year would be followed by some action more far-reaching in its effect. The promise of legis-

lation dealing with the matter was received with general satisfaction in the Colony, and there was little serious opposition to it.

#### "The Children's Charter."

On Thursday, April 17, the Legislative Council passed the Ordinance amending the "Offences against the Person Act of 1885," under that act any person who has custody of a child or who treats it badly in any way or permits it to be ill-treated will be guilty of a heavily punishable misdemeanour. Sir Kai Ho Kai, it may be remembered, asked one or two shrewd questions regarding the Bill and its scope. The Government, he thought, ought to have some poor law act, or else some institution which would take care of the children. What was the good of the new law if it did not in some fashion relieve the suffering of those concerned? Much the same point was made in a special article in the *Telegraph* a week or two before, but the point was then made that the provision of relief for such sufferings was the business rather of the Chinese themselves than of the British or the Government and that if the money which was given to noisy vagrants in the street were devoted to one central there would be fewer neglected children about.

#### THE TYPHOON.

For once in a way, Hongkong was this year visited by a typhoon in August. On Sunday, August 17 the Colony had a narrow escape from being struck with the full force of one. The centre passed within 50 miles of the Colony, which was sufficiently close to give us a severe blow and to cause no inconsiderable amount of damage. The typhoon was one of which warning was received from Manila on the previous Wednesday morning when it was reported to be to the north-west of Yap. From that time daily warning was received of its progress, and on the Saturday at 9 a.m. it was located over or near Aparri (some 800 miles distant) moving W.N.W. Up to that time its rate of progress had been normal, but from thence on ward its advance towards Hongkong became astoundingly rapid.

#### Rapid Travelling.

It is worth recalling the pace at which it came or appeared to come. The first signals hoisted in Hongkong were at 5 p.m. on the Saturday, in the form of the red south cone and drum indicating that the disturbance was to the south-east of the Colony more than 300 miles distant. At 10.40 p.m. the night signals were changed to indicate that the disturbance was within the 300 miles radius. At this time the wind was coming in heavy gusts, and, as the night wore on, it increased in fury and the barometer steadily declined. It became increasingly evident that the Colony was in for an unpleasant ordeal, and the worst fears were realised shortly after five o'clock on Sunday morning.

At that time, according to the Director of the Observatory, the typhoon must have been situated about 150 miles south-east of the Colony, so that from 11 o'clock on the previous night its rate of progress must have been quite 25 miles an hour, which is phenomenally rapid travelling for a disturbance of this kind. From thence onward the conditions grew worse, until at 11.30 a.m. one gust of a velocity of over 100 miles an hour was registered, while the barometer had then fallen as low as 29.27.

#### Escaped Lightly.

On the whole the Colony escaped lightly. There were a few deaths amongst boat people, and some junks lost. The Wilmington, too, was in distress and fired two shots for help. The dock tug towed her into safety. The prayers sent up by some considerable damage, and in Kowloon the club-house of the United Services Recreation Club was wrecked. The structure

was erected only some seven or eight months before.

Householders were put to great inconvenience during the time the storm raged, as with all windows and shutters securely shut there was no electric light available, the supply giving out. This meant that those without other means of securing light were in darkness for several hours. Upon the whole, however, the Colony escaped very lightly. As late as December 26, by the way, a typhoon warning was received in Hongkong from Manila.

#### THE FLOWER SHOW.

The annual Flower Show in connection with the Hongkong Horticultural Society was held on March 7 and 8. This year the show was held at the Botanic Gardens and was more successful than in 1912 when it was held on the piece of ground opposite the Hongkong Club. On that occasion, however, it was forced to suffer from bad weather. The 1913 function showed a big increase in entries—564 against 450—mostly in pot plants and cut flowers. The quality of the productions also showed a considerable improvement. It was generally conceded that the show was the best ever held under the auspices of the Society. Satisfactory reports were submitted at the annual meeting where one very useful resolution was passed.

#### A Good Plan.

It was pointed out by Mr. Howell that many exhibitors had little knowledge as to the points which weigh with judges in awarding prizes. He said:—"If cards containing these particulars were put up at each class among the exhibits, their educational value will be apparent, for show visitors, instead of viewing the exhibits with little or no idea of what constitutes excellence, will have before them, near each exhibit, the points from a judge's standard. Thus they will see for themselves where an exhibit has succeeded or failed, and in what direction their own efforts should be turned if they are to become prize-winners." The motion was carried and it will be interesting, during the next year or two, to watch results.

#### SERVICE MATTERS.

Generals Anderson and Kelly. On August Major-General Anderson left the Colony, to the regret of everyone. He had held command here from October 28, 1910, and few men had been so universally liked and respected. General Anderson was transferred to the Meerut Division of the Northern Army of India. His successor is Major-General F. H. Kelly who came out from Home but who was not new to the East. He put in nearly all his previous service in India, where he saw a good deal of frontier fighting, having been in the Burmese, Mohmand, Tirah, and Waziristan expeditions. His last appointment, prior to the present, was the command of the Ahmednagar Brigade, which he held from 1907 to 1911, when he went on half-pay, after getting his promotion to major-general in 1909.

Admirals Winsloe and Jerram. On March 20 Admiral Sir Alfred Leigh Winsloe K. C. B., C. V. O., O. M. G., left Hongkong on relinquishing command of the China Station which he had held since 1910. It is worth recalling of Admiral Winsloe that from 1906 to 1910 he acted as fourth Sea Lord of the Admiralty. Among his other duties he had the honour of commanding s.s. *Ophir* during the Royal Tour.

Vice Admiral Jerram's flag was hoisted on board H. M. S. *Minotaur* on March 20 on Admiral Winsloe's departure from Hongkong. Vice Admiral Jerram was previously second in command of the Mediterranean Fleet, a post he had held since 1910.

The departure of the K. O. Y. L. early in the year and the com-

ing of the D. O. L. L. need be referred to only in a word or two. Socially the former were big favourites and their going left a gap for a little. The Cornwallis, however, are worthy successors and have well established themselves in the affections of Hongkong.

#### The Volunteers.

It would be unfair, in any review of the year's happenings, however cursory, to omit reference to the increase in the strength of the Volunteer forces in Hongkong. On April 13 what was claimed to be the largest turnout of volunteers ever seen in Hongkong took place at the Murray Barracks parade ground, when the annual inspection of the Corps took place. The increase in numbers was undoubtedly due to the fillip which has been given to the movement by the efforts of His Excellency the Governor, since whose arrival in the Colony the corps has been largely increased. It may be remarked that, on the occasion of the inspection His Excellency presented Capt. W. Armstrong with the long service medal and congratulated him on the completion of his twenty service. The Volunteer Reserves too, thanks greatly to the energy of His Excellency is a strong and energetic body which was able to take its part in the annual inspection and which is stronger now than then.

In the civilian community, aside from Government service changes, there have been some important movements, and two departures, at least, deserve to be specially mentioned.

#### Hon. Mr. Osborne Leaves.

On Saturday, February 8, the Hon. Mr. E. Osborne, left the Colony for good. Mr. Osborne joined his family at Hythe near Folkestone, where the latter had been staying since their return home. On the previous day Mr. Osborne was made the recipient of presentations at the Hongkong Hotel and at the offices of the Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, both from Europeans and Chinese whose close contact with him in business had enabled them to appreciate his sterling qualities both as a business man, and in private life. His departure was regretted by his many friends, and by the public at large who recognised the yeoman service he had performed in their behalf alike as a member of the Legislative Council and in other ways. The admirable work he did in reorganising the Wharf and Godown Company needs no more than the barest reference, so well known is it.

#### Hon. Mr. C. H. Ross.

By the departure from the Colony, on May 6, of the Hon. Mr. C. H. Ross, Hongkong lost one of its most popular citizens. That popularity was founded on his general usefulness and on the fact that he was a fine example of a "good all round man," respected alike in financial, sporting and social circles. As the local head of so important a firm as Jardine, Matheson's, one would have expected him to be able to find but little time for anything beyond strict business; especially so in that he was also connected, in one capacity or another, with most of the big public companies of the district. Yet, in spite of his untiring efforts on behalf of his firm, and of all his other commercial engagements, he contrived to be one of the moving spirits of the Jockey Club and everything connected with it; a keen shot, and a zealous polo player; while his practical interest in volunteering was known to everyone in Hongkong. Mr. Ross lived in the East—including India, Tientsin, Shanghai and Hongkong—for twenty-eight years, holding various important positions in the great shipping house of which he was Managing Director here.

#### The Police.

The Captain Superintendent of Police, the Hon. Mr. F. J. Bad-

deley, left for Home in February and the Hon. Mr. C. Mc I. Messer, took his place. Apart from this the chief change in the personnel of the Police Force during the year was the retirement of Chief Inspector Baker who retired on a pension after thirty years meritorious service and left for Home on April 12. Mr. Baker came to Hongkong in 1882 and was appointed Chief Inspector in 1903. Some weeks before he left he had the misfortune to lose his wife to whom he had been married for twenty years. Inspector Gourlay was appointed Chief Inspector in room of the retired Chief, and Second Inspector Edmund O'Sullivan, was promoted first class inspector and Sergeant Gerrard to second class inspector. The new Chief Inspector, who is 43 years of age, arrived in Hongkong just over 22 years ago.

#### Victoria Gaol.

It is hardly necessary to remind our readers that, less than a fortnight ago, some comments were made in our columns regarding the alleged lack of discipline in Victoria Gaol. These were of particular interest by reason of the fact that on January 17 there was published in the *Telegraph* an interview with Professor Henderson, a well known expert in the matter of prisons, in which he offered his opinions regarding the management of Victoria Gaol. Professor Henderson was satisfied that the gaol was well conducted and, having been permitted to see all that he wanted to see, he spoke in high terms of its management generally. He was "impressed by the excellent sanitary arrangements," and he found the regulations for warders "precise and definite, and calculated to benefit all concerned." The interview elicited a rejoinder from one in a position to know and who bluntly stated that the sanitary arrangement were anything but excellent and that the staff was far from contented. The comments which appeared in our columns less than two weeks ago served to deepen the suspicion which attached to Professor Henderson's statements, that, expert as he is, he had not been able to form an opinion of real value during the course of a visit lasting only half an hour or so. Matters are still far from right within the gaol, though it is only fair to admit that in some respects they have mended since the first revelations were made in the *Telegraph* last year.

#### CHURCH REPORTS.

St. John's Cathedral. Satisfactory reports on the whole were submitted at the annual meetings of the various church bodies. At the meeting of the subscribers and Seatholders of St. John's Cathedral, the treasurer, in submitting the accounts, remarked that this was the first time for a number of years that they had been able to present a balance sheet showing a credit balance. This year there was a credit balance of \$1,746. As a matter of fact, the actual difference between income and expenditure for the year was \$1,460 but that was complicated by the money taken from fixed deposit.

The income for the year was \$15,624 and the expenditure \$14,074 leaving a credit balance of \$1,450. That meant that their income had been reduced within the past year by \$1,400 and the expenditure by \$2,000. That practically represented the salary of the assistant chaplain. The chaplain proposed a vote of thanks to Sir Paul Chater for the work he had done in raising \$12,000 for the Assistant Chaplain fund. It was possible that they would have a whole time assistant chaplain in the near future. They had been told that the subscribers to the fund numbered thirty seven, so they must have contributed large sums indeed.

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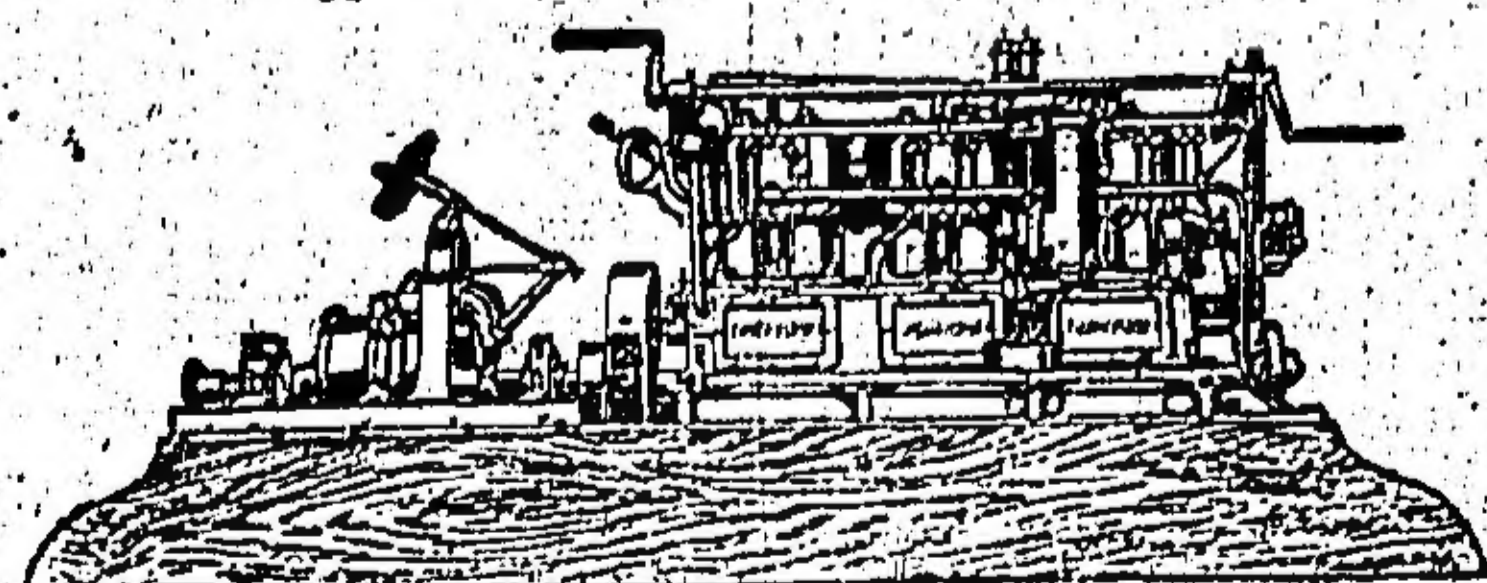
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Marseilles, London & Antwerp via Singapore &c.	Alsuta Maru	N. Y. K.	31, Dec.
Marseilles, London, R'dam and Antwerp	Glenstrac	S. T. Co.	11, Jan.
Trieste, via Singapore Penang, Colombo, etc.	Koerber	S. W. Co.	15, Jan.
Marseilles, Bremen & H'burg &c.	Emden	H. A. L.	13, Jan.
Marseilles, Dunkirk, Antwerp, R'dam and Bremen &c.	Mark	M. & Co.	M. of M.
London, Rotterdam & Antwerp	D. of Glamis	J. M. Co.	2, Jan.
London, via Usual Ports of Call	Delta	P. & O.	3, Jan.
London & Antwerp via S'pore &c.	Simla	P. & O.	7, Jan.
Havre, Emden & Hamburg &c.	Silesia	H. A. L.	26, Jan.

## NEW YORK SAN FRANCISCO AND CANADA.

Vancouver via S'hai, Japan etc.	Monteagle	C. P. R.	15, Jan.
V'oria, B.C. & T'ma via S'hai &c.	Mexico M.	O. S. K.	7, Jan.
New York	Indrakuala	J. M. Co.	8, Jan.
San Francisco via Manila & Japan etc.	China	P. M. Co.	30, Dec.
Victoria, B.C. & Seattle via S'hai &c.	Y'hama M.	N. Y. K.	30, Dec.
Boston & New York via Ports and Suez Canal	Shir'ey	A. K. Co.	17, Jan.
San Francisco	Indr' amha	M. Co.	M. of Jan.
San F'isco via S'hai & Japan &c.	Manchuria	P. M. Co.	6, Jan.
Vancouver, via S'hai, Japan etc.	E. of Russia	J. P. R.	1, Jan.
Vancouver Seattle and/or Tacoma & P'land Or.	Belgravia	H. A. L.	16, Jan.
San F'oo via S'hai & Japan &c.	Nippon M.	P. K. K.	14, Jan.
V'oria, B.C. T'ma via Japan &c.	Chicago M.	O. S. K.	22, Jan.
N'les, G'oa, A'rs, G'tar, S'ton	Buelow	M. & Co.	7, Jan.
Victor'ia, Vancouver Seattle, Tacoma & Portland	Glenroy	J. M. Co.	15, Jan.

## AUSTRALIA.

Australian Ports via Manila	Eastern	G. L. Co.	2, Jan.
Australian Ports via Manila	Tango M.	N. Y. K.	14, Jan.
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Fremantle, West Australia	Mausang	G. & Co.	10, Jan.

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Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang &c.	T'ipinas	J. O. J. L.	Q. desp.
Batavia, Cheribon Samarang, &c.	T'ijahit	J. O. J. L.	Q. desp.
Shanghai	T'ijilwong	J. O. J. L.	Q. desp.
Y'hama and Kobe via Shanghai	China	S. W.	1, Jan.
Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, &c.	T'itaroom	J. O. J. L.	Q. desp.
Kobe	P. Sigismund	M. & Co.	7, Jan.
T'iau, W'wei, C'foo Dviny & C'tio	Cheongshing	J. M. Co.	2, Jan.
Manila Mangaria, Iloilo & Cebu	Zafro	S. T. Co.	2, Jan.
Bombay via Singapore, Colombo	Rangoon M.	N. Y. K.	31, Dec.
Foochow via Swatow & Amoy	Kaijo Maru	O. S. K.	1, Jan.
Kobe & Yokohama	Kitano V.	N. Y. K.	2, Jan.
Shanghai	Kinging	J. M. Co.	30, Dec.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Haibing	D. L. Co.	30, Dec.
Bambay via S'pore Port S'ham, Penang & Colombo	Java M.	O. S. K.	5, Jan.
Jesselton, Kudat and Sandakan	Borneo	M. Co.	3, Jan.
Pakhol & Haiphong	Kaifong	B. & S.	31, Dec.
Kobe and Moji	Sui'ang	J. M. Co.	10, Jan.
Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama	Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	14, Jan.
Shanghai	B. & S.	O. Dec.	30, Dec.
Shanghai	Kwongsang	J. M. Co.	28, Dec.
Shanghai, Kobe and Moji	Arr'oon A.	D. S. Co.	28, Dec.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	Preussen	H. A. L.	31, Dec.
Shanghai, Moji & Kobe	Inaba M.	N. Y. K.	31, Dec.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	Kirin M.	N. Y. K.	31, Dec.
Shanghai	Luehew	B. & S.	1, Jan.
Shanghai	Kinging	J. M. Co.	2, Jan.
Shanghai	Koerber	W. S. Co.	2, Jan.
Shanghai	Egypt	P. & O.	2, Jan.
Shanghai & Tsingtau	Chenas	B. & S.	3, Jan.
Shanghai	Koonshing	J. M. Co.	4, Jan.
Shanghai	Esang	J. M. Co.	6, Jan.
S'hai, Tsingtau, Kobe & Y'hama	P. Ludwig	M. & Co.	8, Jan.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Haifang	D. L. Co.	2, Jan.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Haifan	D. L. Co.	6, Jan.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Sungkiang	B. & S.	30, Dec.
Manila, Mangarin, Cebu & Iloilo	Loongsang	J. M. Co.	3, Jan.
Bombay via S'pore & Colombo	Rubi	S. T. Co.	12, Jan.
Bombay via Singapore Port S'ham Penang & Colombo	Kawachi M.	N. Y. K.	6, Jan.
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The C. P. R. s.s. EMPRESS OF JAPAN arrived Kobe on the 24th instant, at 6 a.m. left Kobe on the 25th instant, at noon and was due to arrive Shimizu on the 26th instant, at 6 a.m.

## AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The I. G. M. s.s. PRINZ SIGISMUND left Sydney on the 13th instant, at 11 a.m. and may be expected here on or about the 5th of January.

## GERMAN MAIL.

The I. G. M. s.s. PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH left here on the 26th of November, arrived at Genoa on the 22nd inst., at 4 p.m.

## AMERICAN MAIL.

The s.s. NILE sailed from Yokohama for Hongkong, via Manila, on the 24th inst. The mail from the United States has been transferred to the s.s. EASTERN of the Eastern Australian Steamship Company, which the company's representatives in Hongkong advise, is scheduled to arrive in Hongkong on the 31st instant.

## ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. &amp; O. s.s. EGYPT left Singapore for this Port on the 27th instant, at 9 a.m. with the outward English Mails, and is due here on the 1st January at about 8 a.m.

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The N. Y. K. s.s. KITANO MARU (European Line), left London for this port via ports on the 22nd ult., and is expected here on the 31st December.

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For Marseilles Bremen & H'burg:	For Antwerp & H'burg:
Suevia ..... 13th Jan.	Suevia ..... 26th Feb.
For V'vor, S'teand/or T. & P. (Or.)	For Havre R'dam & H'burg:
Belgravia ..... 16th Jan.	Bernuda ..... 28th Feb.
For Havre, Emden & Hamburg:	For Havre, Emden & Hamburg:
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## Public Auction.

G. R.  
PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 29th day of Dec., 1913, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of the right to quarry Stone on the following Lots of Crown Land around Kowloon Bay in the New Territories, and elsewhere in the Colony of Hongkong, for a period of one year commencing from the 1st day of January, 1914.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lot	Registry No.	Locality.	Approximate Area in Acres	Approximate Area in Hectares
1	Hok On Quarry Lot 1	Hok On	1.44	1.15
2	Ma Tau Kok Quarry Lot 1	Ma Tau Kok	6.72	5.40
3	Ma Tau Kok Quarry Lot 2	Ma Tau Kok	1.40	1.12
4	Ma Tau Kok Quarry Lot 3	Ma Tau Kok	1.40	1.12
5	Jordan R.C. Quarry Lot 1	Jordan	1.04	0.84
6	Jordan R.C. Quarry Lot 2	Jordan	1.04	0.84
7	Yau Tei Quarry Lot 1	Yau Tei	1.04	0.84
8	Yau Tei Quarry Lot 2	Yau Tei	1.04	0.84
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## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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"LUTZOW,"  
having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless information is received from the Consignees before noon to-day requesting it to be anded here.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 1st of Jan., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 31st of Dec., at 9.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 8th of January, 1914, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELOCHERS & CO.

General Agents.

Hongkong, 25th Dec., 1913. [1101]

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## THE Company's Steamship

"YATSHING,"  
having arrived from the above Ports Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after Noon the 23rd inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by:

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Hongkong, 22nd Dec., 1913. [1098]

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## Consignees

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.  
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.  
From EUROPE, COLOMBO and STRAITS.

## THE Steamship

"MERIONETHSHIRE"  
having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence, and/or from the Wharves, delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 30th Dec., at 6 p.m. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 30th Dec., at 9.30 a.m. Claims against the steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by:

JARVINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.  
Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd Dec., 1913. [1092]

## PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "CHINA,"  
From SAN FRANCISCO, JAPAN PORTS & MANILA.

The above mentioned vessel having arrived consignees of cargo are hereby notified to send in their bills of lading for counter-signature and take immediate delivery of cargo from alongside. Cargo impeding discharge will be landed into the Company's godown at West Point, at consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo undelivered by FRIDAY the 26th instant at NOON will be landed into the Company's godown at consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining undelivered TUESDAY, Jan. 6th, 1914, at noon, in addition to landing charges will be subject to storage charges.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined at the above company's godown MONDAY, Jan. 5th, 1914, at 10 a.m.

No claims will be entertained unless accompanied by short delivery note or list of exceptions taken at the time of delivery to consignees, and signed for and on behalf of the Pacific Mail S.S. Co.

All claims must be filed on or before January 23rd, 1914, otherwise they will not be recognized.

R. O. MORTON,  
Agent.

Hongkong, 23rd Dec., 1913. [1091]

## From EUROPE.

## THE H. A. L. Steamship

"SILESIA,"  
Capt. H. Christiansen, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained against Bills of Lading countersigned by the Undersigned.

Optional Cargo will be carried on unless notice to the contrary be given to-day.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 29th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 29th inst., at 9.30 a.m.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

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"Lisbon" from Setubal  
"Göteborg" from Göteborg

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Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 23rd Dec., 1913. [1096]

## Consignees

THE AMERICAN AND MANOHURIAN LINE.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From NEW YORK & COLOMBO

## THE Steamship

"KANDAHAR,"  
Captain W. Kessley, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Monday, 29th inst., at 10 a.m.

All Claims must be presented within FIFTEEN DAYS of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 29th inst., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by:

SHEWAN TOMES & Co.  
General Agents.

Hongkong, 21st Dec., 1913. [1096]

## CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S

## ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

## NO ICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## R.M.S. "EMPRESS OF RUSSIA."

The above-mentioned steamer having arrived from Vancouver, Victoria and Japan Ports, Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that their goods, with the exception of Parcels, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co's Kowloon where delivery can be obtained.

Goods on hand after the 2nd January will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

All damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns and this Office notified, when arrangements will be made for examination.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

D. W. ORADDOCK,  
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Hongkong, 26th Dec., 1913. [1100]

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DODWELL & CO., LTD.  
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Hongkong, 21st Dec., 1913. [1977]

THE AMERICAN AND ORIENTAL LINE.  
For Boston and New York via  
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(With liberty to call at the  
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THE Steamship  
"SHIRLEY"  
Captain Hopley, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 17th January, 1914.  
For Freight and passage, apply to—  
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,  
General Agents.  
Hongkong, 16th Dec., 1913. [1076]

## Notices.

LATEST GRAMOPHONE RECORDS  
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Those who intend learning the Chinese language are requested to write to "Hongkong Telegraph" office or direct to 37 Hollywood Road, 1st floor.

Hongkong, 29th Jan., 1912.

Consignees

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE Steamship

"ARRATOON APCAR,"  
Capt. W. Walker, will be despatched for the above ports, on TUESDAY, the 30th instant, at 4 p.m.

The Steamer has superior accommodation for passengers, is installed throughout with Electric Light and carries a duly certified doctor.

Return Tours to Japan. Return tickets are available by the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co's Steamers. Fare for round trip \$120.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DAVID SASSOON & CO., LTD.  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 25th Dec., 1913. [1102]

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship "LENNOX,"  
From GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL and STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of Holt's Wharf at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd prox., will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 23rd prox., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 2nd prox., at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by:

DODWELL & Co., Ltd.  
Agents.

Consignees

FROM SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI.

THE Steamship

"GREGORY APCAR,"  
having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at consignees' risk and expense into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company Limited.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON & CO., LTD.  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 24th Dec., 1913. [1098]

## Consignees

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.  
FROM SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI.

THE Steamship

"GREGORY APCAR,"  
having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at consignees' risk and expense into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company Limited.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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DAVID SASSOON & CO., LTD.  
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Hongkong, 24th Dec., 1913. [1098]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"ARRATOON APCAR,"  
having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed at once, at consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board on the 29th inst., will be landed at consignees' risk and expense.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE are requested to take IMMEDIATE delivery of their goods from alongside, such cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON & Co. Ltd.  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 26th Dec., 1913. [1101]

To Sail

GLEN LINE (McGREGOR, GOW & Co.) Limited.

For Marseilles, London, Rotterdam & Antwerp.

THE Steamship

"GLENSTRAE,"  
Capt. Jas McGillivray, will be despatched for the above ports on or about 11th January 1914.

For Freight or passage, apply to  
SHEWAN TOMES & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 16th December, 1913

Performing Dog "Pledge."

The National Canine Defence League, which is making a campaign against exhibitions by performing dogs, is requesting signatures to the following "pledge":—"I will not knowingly attend any exhibition of performing dogs at music-halls or other places of amusement, or if I should be present on such occasions I will leave my seat during the time occupied by these 'turn'."



## TELEGRAMS.

CR DIET.  
UPROARIOUS SCENES.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph"]

London, Received December 28.  
Renter's correspondent at Agram says the Croatian Diet has opened. A dispute as to the date of the next meeting caused the wildest scenes.  
The President, M. Mileusnic, who is a member of the Opposition, objected, and M. Mileusnic vacated the chair in favour of the Ministerialist, F. Tuskan, who decided that the Diet should meet the same evening.

Two members of the Opposition thereupon rushed at M. Tuskan, and tried to drag him off his chair, whereupon a free fight took place and the sitting was suspended.

On the resumption at six o'clock in the evening, the Ministerialist found M. Mileusnic in the chair, reading a newspaper and conversing with his friends. This continued until half-past seven, when an official informed M. Mileusnic that, as he was not doing his duty, M. Tuskan would like to assume the Presidency.

M. Tuskan then mounted the tribune, planted himself in front of M. Mileusnic, and tried to open business. He was greeted with an inferno of trumpet-blowing, the banging of typewriter covers, the sounding of motor-horns, and shrieks and abuse.

M. Tuskan rang a bell, and M. Mileusnic, sitting in the chair, produced another bell and rang every time that M. Tuskan did. The uproar was still continuing at 11 o'clock in the evening.

London, Received December 29.  
Reuter's correspondent at Agram states that, despite the ear-splitting din, the majority succeeded in electing their President at three o'clock in the morning, whereupon the uproar subsided.

## THE S.S. LUDGATE.

## AGAIN ATTACKED BY MOORS.

London, Received December 27.  
The cruiser Roxburgh has returned to Gibraltar, and reports that all is quiet at the scene of the wreck, and that it is hoped to re-float the Ludgate.

London, Received December 29.  
Last night the Moors made another attack on the Ludgate.  
The Spanish cruiser Parayo immediately used searchlights and sent forty marines with quick-firing guns on board the Ludgate. The detachment "peppered" the Moors, who fled in panic to the mountains.

The warships are still standing by and salvage is proceeding.

## Rubber Market.

London, Dec. 20.  
The quotation for Para Rubber, Fine, Hard, Cured, December and January, is 3s. 0-1-2d. value. The tone of the rubber share market is dull.

## MUTINY ON A JUNK.

## Master's Wife and Son Murdered.

A foki on an Aberdeen fishing junk reports to the police that at about 4 p.m. on December 19 his junk and a sister junk were fishing on the coast of Pinghoi. The two junks came together for the purpose of hauling up the nets when other foki on his junk seized the arms of the junk and attacked the master, inflicting serious wounds on the head and arms. The mutineers put the other foki in the hold and battered them down, murdered the master's wife and son, aged 42 and 20 years respectively, and threw the bodies into the sea. They stole \$170 from the master's cabin and sailed the two junks to a place near Yeung Kong where they arrived at 1 a.m. on December 24, and went ashore in a dinghy. The imprisoned foki got free and managed to sail back to Hongkong.

## Gin and Oysters at 100.

Celebrating his 100th birthday, Mr. Samuel Odart, of 20, Whittaker-road, Upton Park, was entertained by his friends at a musical evening and was presented with an easy chair. Mr. Odart, who was a silk weaver, and helped to weave the Coronation scarf for Queen Victoria, is in full possession of his faculties, except that he is a little deaf. At the gathering he laughed and chatted gaily with his laughter, who is seventy years old. He drank gin and water, smoked a cigarette, and had some oysters before leaving.

U. S. Officers Wounded.  
A telegram received at Manila reports that as the result of a sharp engagement with a large band of Moro outlaws armed with several guns and rifles, Lieutenant Donald S. Root was seriously wounded in the abdomen. Captain Fletcher slightly in the right arm and Private Tingo's right arm was shattered. Lieutenant Root and Private Tingo are reported in a serious condition. The outlaws Randi and Daya were killed after a stubborn fight and three Krag rifles were captured from the band. The Constabulary and Scout detachment was patrolling the mountains 40 to 50 miles south-east of Lake Lanao on the Lunao. Cotabato border on the purpose of cleaning up this region from outlaws and cattle thieves.

Standard Oil in Price War.  
The Standard Oil Company of Indiana and the Pierce Oil Corporation of Mississippi have opened a price-cutting war in the States, according to statements just published. The price of coal oil has been cut from 9 to 7 cents a gallon, and gasoline from 17½ to 14½ cents a gallon by the Standard. The reduction quoted is the second made by the company within five days.

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## POST OFFICE.

## New Year's Holidays.

On Thursday 1st January the Post Office will be open from 8 to 9 a.m. In the event of the arrival of the English Mail from Europe the Post Office will be open for the delivery of the mail. There will be one delivery of ordinary correspondence and one collection of letters each on Saturdays.  
There will be a delivery of registered correspondence during the morning of the 27th inst.  
The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the holidays.

1st of January being a holiday, mails per Empress of Russia will be closed at 5 p.m. on 31st December.

The Frans Ferdinand, with the Mails from London (via Siberia) of Wednesday, the 10th, and Friday, the 15th inst., is due to arrive here to-morrow.

The United States mails ex Nile have been transferred in Japan to the Eastern which is scheduled to arrive here on Wednesday, the 31st inst.

The Egypt, with the English Mail, left Singapore on Saturday, 29th inst., at 9 a.m. and is due to arrive here on Thursday, the 1st Jan., at 8 a.m. This packet brings the parcel mails closed in London for despatch by the all-sea route, on the 20th inst., and for despatch over-land on the 3rd inst.

## MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

Left	Due
London Dec. 12	Shanghai Dec. 27
Dec. 13	Dec. 29

## MAILS DUE.

French, Dumb, 30th inst.  
Siberia, Frans Ferdinand, 30th inst.  
American, Eastern, (ex Nile) 31st inst.  
English, Egypt, 1st Jan.

## MAILS CLOSE TO-MORROW.

Safeged, Straits, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western, Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Late Letters 11 to Noon, Extra Postage 10 cents). Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.—Per POLYNESIAN, 30th Dec., 11.00 a.m.

Philippine Islands, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, United States and San Francisco—Per CHINA, 30th Jan., 11 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAI-CHING, 30th Dec., 10 a.m.

Philippine Islands—Per IXION, 30th inst., 10 a.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per KONGSANG, 30th inst., 2 p.m.

Straits and India via Calcutta—Per G. AFGAR, 30th inst., 2 p.m.

Philippine Islands—Per SUNGLANG, 30th Dec., 3 p.m.

Chinwanta—Per ALEIANA, 30th inst., 3 p.m.

Shanghai & North China—Per SEA-SHING, 30th inst., 3 p.m.

Shanghai, North China and Japan via Kobe (Europe via Siberia)—Per DUMBEA, 30th Dec., 3 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per WING-SANG, 30th inst., 5 p.m.

Amoy—Per GLENOGLE, 30th inst., 5 p.m.

## WEDNESDAY, 31st Dec.

Fakhoi Halphong and Saigon—KAI-FONG, 31st Dec., 9 a.m.

Hailow Halphong, Fakhoi & Saigon—Per KAI-FONG, 31st inst., 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy & Foochow—Per KAIJO MARU, 31st inst., 11 a.m.

Halphong, Fakhoi and Saigon—Per HAI-XOT, 31st inst., 11 a.m.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via Kobe—Per A. AFGAR, 1st Jan., 3 p.m.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via Siberia—Per EGYPT, 1st Jan., 9 a.m.

Shanghai, & North China—Per KANGSING, 1st Jan., 5 p.m.

## FRIDAY, 2nd January

Gyatsow, Amoy, and Foochow—Per HAIYANG, 2nd Dec., 10 a.m.

Tsingtau, Wei Hai Wei, Chafco, Daluy, and Chinwanta—Per CHEONGSHING, 2nd Jan., 11 a.m.

## SATURDAY, 3rd Jan.

Jessellton, Kudat and Sandakan—Per BORNEO, 3rd Jan., 8 a.m.

Philippine Islands, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand via Thursday Island—Per EASTERN, 3rd Jan., 10 a.m.

Straits, Burma, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Brindisi (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon, Extra Postage 10 cents) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail (Extra Postage 10 cents) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail).—The Parcel mail will be closed on Friday the 2nd Jan., 5 p.m.—Per HIMALAYA, 3rd Jan., 11 a.m.

## SHIPPING NEWS.

## ARRIVED.

Chow Tai, Gen. a.s. 1,115, E. Gathemann, 28th inst.—Bangkok, 19th inst. Gen.—B. and S.

Hakata Maru, Jap. a.s. 3,870, H. Nomma, 28th inst.—Mol. 2nd inst. Gen.—M. Y. K.

Borneo, Ger. a.s. 1,344, Job. Koehle, 28th inst.—Sandakan, 19th inst. Gen.—M. and Co.

Nankin, Br. a.s. 5,585, O. Jones, 27th inst.—London, 15th inst. Gen.—P. & O. and Co.

Tijpanas, Dut. a.s. 2,444, A. Oldenburger, 27th inst.—Java, 15th inst. Gen.—J. G. J. L.

Tamsui, Br. a.s. 910, French, 27th inst.—Daly, 21st inst. Gen.—B. & S.

Kaijo Maru, Jap. a.s. 1,286, Y. Yamamoto, 27th inst.—Swatow, 24th inst. Gen.—O. S. K.

Halohing, Br. a.s. 1,287, W. C. Passmore, 28th inst.—Swatow, 27th inst. Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Kailong, Br. a.s. 687, V. J. Jaeger, 27th inst.—Halohing, 26th inst. Gen.—B. & S.

Kwangshah, Chi. a.s. 1,550, Steward, 27th inst.—Shanghai, 24th inst. Gen.—Q. M. and Co.

Dunera, Br. a.s. 3,585, 27th inst.—Mol. 22nd inst. Gen.—D. S.

Hue, Br. a.s. 710, Cornelissen, 29th inst.—Halohing, 27th inst. Gen.—A. R. Martz.

Esang, Br. a.s. 1,127, Oario, 29th inst.—Tamsui, 22nd inst. Gen.—M. and Co.

Tjimanook, Dut. a.s. 4,971, A. la Rooy, 29th inst.—Java, 19th inst. Gen.—J. G. J. L.

F. Buelow, Ger. a.s. 4,999, F. Jaeger, 28th inst.—Shanghai, 25th inst. Gen.—H. A. L.

Manchuria, Am. a.s. 8,750, A. Dixon, 29th inst.—San Francisco, 27th inst. Gen.—P. M. Co.

Polynesien, Fr. a.s. 6,562, Lassince, 29th inst.—Shanghai, 26th inst. Gen.—M. M. Co.

## DEPARTED.

## December 29

Drafer for Bangkok  
Jade for Halphong  
Daijin Maru for Tamsui  
Koonshing for Canton  
Kingsing for Canton  
Altmark for Hamburg  
Taisho Maru for Canton  
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## WEATHER REPORT.

On the 29th at 10.50.—The anticyclone has moved eastward. It is now central over the Eastern Sea.

Pressure has increased considerably from S. Japan to the Bonins and slightly over the Philippines. It is nearly stationary along the south coast of China.

Light or variable winds are indicated along the east coast of China and moderate monsoon over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District	Forecast
1 Hongkong and Neighbourhood	N.E. winds moderate; rain at first, clearing, rain or mist later.
2 Formosa Channel	N.E. gale moderate.
3 South coast of China between H.K. and Lamooka	The same as No. 1.
4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan	The same as No. 1.

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Station	Hour	Barometer	Temperature	Humidity	Wind	Weather
Wootok	7a	30.16	11	0	0	0
Namuro	6a	30.22				sw 1
Hakodate		30.13				ene 1
Tokio		30.12				nsw 1
Kochi		30.29				sw 0
Nagasaki		30.33				ne 1